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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Twenty Six

Part B for January 1921.

SUBJECT.

Notice to be taken of irregularities in proceedings brought to notice on the part of certain Police Officers in the burglary case in the Bangalore City by the Bavarians.

8126) From The I.G. of Police
" Dist. Magte., Bangalore
No. G. 13847-8 of 18.1.21.

Marks the observation that there have been serious irregularities in the handling of the case & communicates the displeasure of Govt. to the D.C. Bangalore & the I.G. of Police.

WD 2283—GPB—20,000—14-6-20

(For Disposal at a Meeting)

No. C. 262

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause xii of the Schedule.)

Notice to be taken of the irregularities in procedure on the part of certain Police Officers in the burglary case in Bangalore City by the Bavariahs.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Balasundaram
Chief Secretary to Government.

16th October 1920.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council.

Third Member of Council. Seen.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Police)

NOTES.

File No. 183-19

FILE HEADING.

- Cases of - burglary in the Bangalore City

From

The D. G. of Police in Mysore.

No. C 3812/19 Dated 21-6-1920 Received 24-6-1920

Diary No. 2359	Enclos. — Spare Copies. —	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Reports the occurrence of - two burglaries which occurred on the nights of the 16th & 18th inst at the Purna Prasad & in one of - the - bungalows on the Lal Bagh Road.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

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Subd for perusal
D. M.
23/6

8164
24.6.20.

III Member

2) 1) The result of this investigation of this case may be called for after a month.

3) 2) Please put up this file referred to in the last para of D-G's letter.

Mukerji
25/6.

Tele put up on 25.7.20
D. M.

1) Police 150-19 is linked herewith. D. M. 25/6
Subd with reference to Member's minute above.

SRR
1/7

please put up the file referred to
25/6

2 From the same
No. C 3812 d/ 7.7.1920
Forwards copy of letter from the D. G. Bengal Dist reporting the progress made in the investigation of the case and requests sanction to an advance of Rs 1500/- to meet the expenses of Mr. Sri Nara Simha Sastry & party proceeding to Muzaffarnagar & other places to recover the necklace lost.

Brought from Ks. A.S.'s room.
SRR
9/7

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5)
Draft G.O. sibd for appl
Chief Secy
D. M.
Member
3rd member)

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9/7/20

6) I am from his Dy Comm's letter that the accused is taken to Burhanpur under a warrant but Police in capturing him fancy a warrant. The validity of the procedure may be examined. I think the prisoner becomes free the moment he sets his foot in the Burhanpur district. The proper procedure was to work up the case upon the information obtained from the accused here. There was no necessity. I think to send both the report & arrest report 2 Police on this errand. It would have been quite sufficient for the purpose of the arrest report & Police who previously had worked up the case had been sent. The I.G. did not have decided his district & both these Police & Police should not the I.G. have obtained sanction first/not before depending his report for the purpose who is in charge? besides Burhanpur district Police?
The I.G. makes no mention of this

What will the Police do if the accused escapes?
He can be re-arrested & extradited -

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on JUL 10 1920
Reg. No. 271

7) Impersonal
Secretary
[illegible]
[illegible] Dy.

8) [illegible] D.S.C. & H.S.C. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
11.7.20
3rd member
[illegible]
[illegible] Dy.

331
12.7.20

9) The draft as revised may issue.
As regards the remark of the Chief Secretary, if it is necessary may to recapture a Bavari when he escapes. The Council [illegible] Escape from lawful custody.
[illegible]
13/7

10) Issue
[illegible]
[illegible] Dy.

11) Since there is no mention of the advance having been sanctioned, the G.O. has been added to and resubmitted

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Serial No.

with a typed draft for favour of approval, as instructed in person

15/7 16/7 12) Submd for appl as proposed is proposed to be added.

13) Draft D. M. (6/)
III Member Appd 16/7

426 16.7.20

14) Issue
dsg 17/7 D. M.

3 To the S. G. & Police
the Comptroller.
No & 1433-4 dt 19-7-1920
Sanctions the advance with certain observations

4 From the same.
No. & 3812 d/ 19. 7. 1920
Forwards copies of the telegrams received from Messrs. Sri Narasimha Sastry & party reporting the circumstances under which Bhagawan Das escaped and adds that he has wired to the I. G. of Police, Allahabad & the Supdt of Police, Muzaffarnagar Dist to help our Police in the matter.

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21.7.20

15) Send for perusal
D. M.
20/7

Chief Secy
III Member
Dawn

Ctx
20/7

16) Just what I apprehended from
his writing has happened. The accused
myself was there when this took place which
is his stronghold & his caste men. The proper
course was to obtain all his available
information from him and to send some
man-detectives to follow up his clues
and review his properties. It was no
use making a demonstration & free
upon his Bawari settlement. Until
his deposit-cum-r was & I.G.P. has a
shown that this instant in this case
this is to be suspected & them. Besides
this there was there was no-body by
the help of Police who should have a-
warned him of his danger attending
the venture and his punishing of these
persons. It is poor consolation to
say that our officers will be his victim
by this depart in as much they would
have gained better experience and
knowledge of the Bavaries. This thing

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could have acquired at this time and in a better manner by being sent on deputation - this consideration does not at all warrant this rich undertaken. The I.G. P. Punjab should have consulted this first before deputing two high Officers on this errand which in my opinion could have been better done by an Inspector. The I.G. gives no indication as to how long these Officers will remain in the Northern India. As I remarked in another file, it is not an easy thing to Captain a Bawari. As for his assault upon one Officer & escape from custody there may be doubts as to his liability to any procedure that we may adopt. This much is certain that our Officers will be involved in a protracted criminal litigation and will have to leave their stations very often to attend the British Indian Courts.

17) The arrangement now made for Capt. Gupta's work & his deputation here is very faulty. This result the I.G. has been placed in charge of this Province in addition to his duties as Officer Commanding. The I.G. may be asked to obtain the Home Member's & this Govt's views in charge of this Province should separate

He did not even intimate by a D.O. that he was sending this report & this is the first we have seen of this business. Had it come to my knowledge in time, I would have stopped this venture at once —

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(Held)

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on JUL 23 1920
Reg. No. 511

Can they not look after his students & this Police Court in addition to his work

Dewan? 21/7

22/7

18) I agree with the action taken and direct that the members in the temporary employment proposed are appointed

23.7.20

19) Please draft orders

24/7/20

20) Draft Subd

26/7

21) In view of the temporary nature of the arrangement a notification is perhaps unnecessary

27/7

22) Draft letter to the D.G. & Subd for approval.

23) A detailed report explaining the exact circumstances under which the accused was rescued has been just received & to Subd for perusal.

III Member 24) Draft approved. May be issued

27/7

28/7 P.T.O.

1) From the I. G. of Police. No. R.O.C. 3812/19-20 d/ 24.7.1920

Forwards for information copy of letter received from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry reporting the detailed circumstances under which Bhagavandas escaped

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REPLY

(To be written on this margin.)

No. 85 / 27.7.20.

OFFICE OF THE THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

NOTE

Dated 27th July 1920.

Now that the Bavàri prisoner has escaped, the Inspector-General of Police may be asked to state what the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, is doing in Northern India and why he should not be asked to return and resume his charge.

Member of Council.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

with compliments.

Pr Textile Bill 27/7/20

Mem put up draft. Henry ch with Ch. Secy's approval. D.W. 27/7

Draft submd. as per Member's minute above. 28/7 Chief Secy's order:— Write D.O. to D.G.P. Initd) C.S.B. 28/7 Please issue urgent. Today Initd) P.M. 28/7

Issue Initd) C.S.B. 28/7

Issued. Sd N=7 M. G. 1090 d/28/7/20

The main Bill is now before the Member with a draft suggesting certain arrangements for the Bish charge.

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25) The Inspt. makes no mention of the fact whether he and his party were armed or not at the time when the interval between his arrival & his first visit took place was the cause and if they were armed why they did not fire at them. He does he give any indication as to where he had posted his men. The explanation of the Inspt. may be called for upon these points. He

26) The I.G. may be asked to take down the statements of the persons that accompanied him on the journey played by each of them in the enterprise.

27) Also whether his arrival was hindered or what has not been stated. The I.G. may be asked to elicit his opinion also from the persons that accompanied the Inspt.

28) The need to be enumerated as early as possible

27/7

29) Please forward to me re-submit with a draft today

6 do see S.G.O Police D.M. 28/7

No 92099 dt 28.7.20

States that Govt do not approve of the arrangements made for the charge

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Bangalore by Police and requests him to relieve Dr. Abdul Khader of the office charge and place him in sole charge of the D.V.O. direct the Principal, P.T.S. to look after the duties of the office Asst in addition to his own. d/28.7.1920
Memo No 2100.
Copy to Board of Health for information

5 The D.G. of Police No.G 2090 d/28.7.20 Enquires what the D.S. Bangalore is doing re P. Wadi, why he is not be asked to return now that the Bagepalli prisoner has escaped

30) Draft Subd with refee to para 29.
SGR 28/7

31) Draft Subd for abbd
28/7

III (Member 32) to issue draft put up.
28/7

30/7

33) Issue
30/7

753/30.7.20

8 To The D. G. of Police.
No.G 2468 d/ 31.7.1920
Calls for information on certain points with reference to St. 5.

7 From the Surgeon.
No Roc 3872-19 d/ 30.7.1920
States with refee to St 7 that the A.S.P. & others have returned, that the escape of the prisoner prolongs the visit of the Supdt. for obtaining information of his associates & that he has telegraphed to the Supdt to be back in a week

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Routine Notes.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record

8/9/20

3) D.O. letter dt 20.7.1920 from the A.G.P. regarding the escape of the Bawaro prisoner sent for surrender

III Member

4/8

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on, this form.

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(1)

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | Police File No. 183 of 1919.

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1A From the D. G. of Police.
No. C. 3872 d/ 29-7-1920
states with refce to sl 6
that Mr. Abdul Khader is almost entirely attending to the work of the District, that I was suggested that arrangement (in view not to deprive him of the local allce recently sanctioned for the office. Asst D requests that the same may be sanctioned.

Subd. The main file was subd to the III Member of Council on 28/7/20

SGR 30/7
APR 30/7

Subd for Consd & under — D. M. 31/7

III Member —
Please see notes in the main file. This may be linked to it.
4/8

* Linked herewith

8/8/20

D. M. 5/8

POR 5/8

D Linked hereto.

Record with the main file. (X) Kind reference is invited to the order communicated to the D in this Office no. 6209 dy 28.7.20

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and orders solicited on his present reference.

Art 6/8

In the circumstances reported the arrangements may perhaps be approved. Besides, the D.S.P. is expected to start on the 15th inst on his return journey under the present arrangements.

Submitted for orders,

P. M. 6.8

III Member

9/8 6.8.20

Does not seem strictly above the posting of Mr Abdul Khader. He may want till then.

7/8

P. M. 7/8

Subd.

Notification posting Mr Abdul Khader as D.S.P. Bangalore has been issued. Copy received in this Dept is submitted separately to the Art Dept alongwith typed

Art 7/8

Our orders seem to be necessary

Submitted for perusal

P. M. 9.8

Since received back & submitted herewith, vide flag W

Subd 10/8

10-8-20

The Copy of the notification posting S Narayana Rao as D.S.P. Bangalore received from the Art Dept

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Art 9/8

III Member

As Portfolio's have already been made no orders in this file are called for. May be filed

Subd

11/8 P. M. 11/8

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Serial No.	
10	From the D. G. of Police No C. 3812 dt 3. 8. 1920 Forwards copy of report received from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry regarding the escape of the Bawari prisoners and requests permission to send him a wire asking him to remain in those parts so long as he is hopeful and to start positively on the 15th instant 35 Subd The main file is now before the Member. Sgd 6/8

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | G.A.D. File No. 182 of 1915.

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36) The D.I.G.P. wants Government to wire to Mr. Sri Narasimha Shastry to remain in N. India till the 15th inst.

Submitted for orders

D.M. 4/8

III Member -

37) The work which Mr. V. N. Shastri is engaged upon can well be done by an intelligent Inspector. Even if no need for an increase of his status of Mr. V.N. Shastri be deputed for his work - But as his Inspector General views the importance of his mission and his abounding acumen - memory & other personal qualifications & his I.G. & also his deputation work to N. India will be of immense value - he might be appointed accordingly.

His 4/8

D.M. 5/8

38) Draft sent

SBR 5/8 Draft SP

39) Please Issue orders

D.M. 5/8

11 To the Dy of Police no. G 2850 dt 5/8/20 States that Govt approve of his proposal

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(12) From the Dy. Sp. Police no. Roc 3812 & 6-8-20 forwards the extracts of the Special Diary of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry from 30th July 1920

993 / 9.8.20

PR 9/8/13

III Member

4) Submitted for perusal

Dy. M. 7/8

9/8/20 Dy. 9/8

From the same.

No. C 3812. dt/ 11/12. 8. 1920

Forwards copies of extracts of the Special Diary of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry for 30th & 31st July & 3rd & 4th August 1920.

4a) Submd for perusal

Dy. 10/8

III Member.

1136 / 16-8-20

4a) Mr Sri Narasimha noted here in his diary that he received his pension & that Mr. Shanmugam's duty had ended & his mouth and that again in his own writing noted his permission for it. There is nothing in this diary to suspect foul play. One day one 'Shanmugam' is used his suspects' favour impression is adopted and his next day its publicity is found and given up. Now & then ways I am afraid will succeed. Mr Panchagesa, his trial & driving them into a cot settlement, his granting

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I position Police are methods with which all criminal people are familiar. I indeed my hope I invoked his daughter's abounding piety to destroy their father and place him in his hands I his Police is so ~~utterly helpless~~ humanly impossible ~~case~~, that it is a wonder how that man should have seriously attempted that course. His imprisonment seems therefore hopeful in a measure. I his repeated threats I his final appeal - put there him back into his place I me Managers in better Bazar, but we have no such hold to offer. However as the Dy. S has advised me there by to write for another prisoner, I do not like to ask him to recall his order. But he must be distinctly told that no further interference shall be given by ~~him~~ ~~Police~~ I that he should be cautioned in practising his present extortions.

14/8 Asst 17/8

(43) This may perhaps be sent to the Dewan for perusal as it was called for in the Tubbal Extract.

Chief Sec 17/8

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on AUG 21 1920
No. 2026

To Secretary
Dewan
D. M. 21/8

To Secy. The 99 Police Stations
Abkari duty extension

To Public Dept. 99 P.S.
D. M. 23/8

Draft ordered
D. M. 23/8

Issued
To-morrow by 10 a.m. please
D. M. 24/8

14 To Dr. A. Subrahmana Iyer.
No. 4518 dt. 25-8-1920.
States that orders should have been obtained for the extension of the period in question.

15 From the same. No.
Forwards copies of diaries of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry for the period from 9th to 23rd August 1920 & copy of his letter dt. 30-8-1920 to him urging his immediate return

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1658
5-9-20

III Member

Sd/- for perusal
D/- 3/9

51) [illegible] I.G.P addressed [illegible] Supdt; it can be seen that at his request [illegible] Supdt, his I.G.P and his District Magistrate have granted pardon to his Approver Bhagwan Dass. Now it has been that was arrested him and from whom some stolen property was recovered. Now it has been also that Escaped from [illegible] custody. So grant him pardon means to let go his Approver who if arrested could be convicted by his Courts. One of his reasons given by his I.G for adopting this extraordinary course is that through he pardoned man his false and [illegible] Bhagwandass, he could bring to book his associates. But it can be seen his associates other than one does not seem whose support his mind that his arrest & his accomplices is as depend if not impossible on that of Bhagwan Dass. Now it nothing known about his accomplices and Now it no Evidence against Now

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	Ask the District Magistrate & the D.S.P. under what provision of law they granted pardon to Bhagavan Das.
	Please submit the file for their perusal & the decision after the receipt of the reply.
	Draft. Please to-day
	Draft Enquiring Subd. with reference to para 51.
16	To the S.P. & Police No. & 5558 dt 8-9-1920
17	To the D.M. Bangalore by No. & 5559 dt 8-9-1920 Enquiries under what Provision of law pardon has been granted to Bhagavan Das &
57	Subd with ref to para 52.
	Chief Sec
	Dewan

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on SEP 9 1920
Reg. No. 2525

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Police File No. 188 of 1919

Serial No.

№ 2525.

58) This may be submitted for the information of the Dewan on his return from leave.

Peel
10.9.20

59) Seen
Dewan
11.9.20

D. M. 13/9

P.R. 13/9

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18	From the Dy Commr, Bangalore D.O.No. 10/Judl. d/ 7.9.1920 Forwards for information copy of the telegram received from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry from Shimoga regarding the recovery of the necklace almost intact.
	(a) Subd. for favour of perusal.
	(b) A draft D.O. is put up with reference to Dewan's minute on the P.W.D.,
	11/9 (c) Please decide as to the D.O.
	(d) The D.O. is withheld on account of the receipt of the following communication. D.M. 11/9
19	From the I. G. of Police. No. ROC 3812 d/ 10.9.1920 Forwards copy of telegram received from Rev. Sri Narasimha Sastry re. recovery of the necklace & requests that he may be again placed on special duty from the 6th instant.
	(e) Subd for orders. The main file is before the Dewan
	11/9 11/9 III Member 13/9

The main file is in the D.C

1868
14.9.20

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Subject matter of this paper is the

Serial No.

65) Hon I.G. does not want to place Mr V N Shastri on special duty in connection with any work in Northern India. He wants to place him on special duty at Bangalore after Mr Shastri's arrival if he finds his work (in securing the ornaments) the suitable and he Mr Shastri has collected all the information that the I.G. had instructed him to collect. He may therefore be asked to record his appreciation of his services for the same between Mr Shastri's arrival. As for the Comptroller's reference upon Mr Shastri's pay bill, special sanction of this Govt may be obtained if the contingency contemplated happens.

16/5

66) Draft. Please see

67) Draft Subd.

68) It is learnt that Mr Sastri has returned to Bangalore

20/9

69) In view of the receipt of further communications as below from the D. G. P. & the D. M. Bangalore Dists the draft refd to in para 67 has not been issued.

20 From the I. G. of Police.
No. R.O.C. 3812/19-20 d/ 16/17. 9. 1920
Reports that Mr. Sri Narasimha

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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	-Sastry- returned on the morning of the 15th inst with the diamond necklace & recommends that the period of special duty may be continued till the end of Dasara holidays for reasons stated.
21	From the same. No C.3812/19-20 d/.16/17-9-1920 -States that the Collector & D.M. of Muzaffarnagar Dist & the D.S.P. are reported to have given very substantial help in the recovery of the property & suggests that the thanks or appreciation of Govt might be communicated to those Officers thro' the Resident
22	From the D.M. Bangalore Dist No. D2 Dis 53 d/17/18-9-1920. Explains the circumstances under which he sent a signed & sealed certificate tendering him (Bhagwan Das) a pardon under Sec 333, Cr.P.C.

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70) Subd for favour of perusal with reference to para 51 Standing Orders

SBR
20/9/19.

71) Submd for orders.

976/20.9.20.

72) All the 3 letters were read to-day before the issue of the Draft.

D.M. 20/9

III Member

73) The D.G. may be informed that Mr. Narasimha Shenoy should join duty at once and that his notice of duty can readily be extended may be permitted after he joins duty and that for this purpose his deputation on special duty is not necessary.

74) As regards the communication 2 Mr. Burrell Miers Messrs & the Bank of Madras Ltd. Mr. Miers may be informed after the usual notice in form I etc.

MB
21/9

FS 23/9

75) Draft as above

D.M. 25/9

Draft Subd with reference to para 73.

SBR
23/9

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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23	From the D. G. of Police. No. ROA 3812/19-20 d/ 20.9.1920 Explains the circumstances under which pardon was granted to Nangoo alias Bhagawan Das & requests approval of Govt to withdraw formally from prosecuting him now that he has produced the jewels.
24	From the Same. No. C 3812 d/ 20.9.1920 Forwards a distribution list for the reward of Rs 1000/- offered by the complainant Mr. G.A. Sethagiri Sastry as proposed by the D. S.P., Muzaffernagar, and requests sanction to the cash rewards in the case of all excepting Mr. Shadiram. It is said that the Zamindar desires the presentation of a revolver suitably inscribed. Subd for perusal & orders 22/9 Member III 22/9

e was a f.o.
s ref. of Mr. Mumford

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7. There is a good deal of difference in while drawing a charge and the framing of points. Charge is mostly drawn under Sections 240, [illegible] and 244 & 245 of Procedure Code while the permission of the Magistrate to that can be done only after the charge sheet is submitted. In the case in question the charge sheet was submitted and [illegible] the District Magistrate had any authority [illegible] of points for trial nor the District Magistrate had any authority to frame points of proceedings after the accused [illegible] under the permission of the Code of Procedure Code, they should have not framed points for trial. The Madras case quoted by the I.G. does not apply since it is a case falling clearly under Section 240 of Procedure Code.

8. As regards the proposal by the I.G. - a perusal we indeed, it may be pointed out that it is based upon an ignorance of the provisions of Section 333 of Procedure Code since no person can in the event of discharge could have been granted what accused since the same might where he would have been charged [illegible] an offence under Section 408 is not exclusively triable by the Court of Session.

9. As regards the accused, the I.G. may be informed that as the case was opened in Sessions by the first, no further step for the withdrawal is necessary -

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81) I was told by the Vakil on behalf of the Police that the Police report before the Court of Magistrate in Bhagavan Dass's case.

82) The file may be submitted after the case and necessary steps about the matter.

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83) Submit with a draft letter to Police (covering the points referred to in Paras 73, 78 & 79.

84) Karthari is the sister of Bhagavan Dass and it was she who with Bagoo, wife of Bhagavan, arranged for the meeting at the Ooga; Please see page 103 of Mr Sri Narasimha Sastri's letter of 18.7.20

85) The AG has advised approval to withdraw the Prosecution finally. The draft is silent on this point

86) Draft letter to the A.G. is submitted. As regards the withdrawal of the proviso, para 4 is added in the draft subject to approval.

87) As regards the pencil note on the margin of para 77, it is submitted as follows:—

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(S. 333 in mysmicode)

86) The word exclusively in S. 333 seems to be significant. This section authorizes the tender of a pardon in the case of those offences only which are specified in the schedule as triable exclusively by the Court of Session. Such cases involve offences of greater magnitude liable to be visited with a heavier punishment, and the limitation in "exclusively" shows that the policy of the law is to prevent the escape of offenders from punishment in grave cases.

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89) In tendering a pardon, the Magistrate should make an offer to the one least guilty among the several accused.

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90) In India, pardon is a condition precedent to the examination of the accused as a witness. In England it is not so. There, the accomplice gives evidence in the hope of a pardon.

12. W. R. Crimi. p. 80.

vide sub: Sec. (2) also.

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91) It is essential that the Magistrate tendering pardon, must be one before whom the enquiry is held.

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92) The Court should, when it tenders a pardon to a person, explain to him the conditions which accompany the tender. It is for the prisoner then to accept or refuse the tender. If he refuses, the tender will be abortive & the trial will proceed. If he accepts, it is the duty of the Court to examine him as a witness in the case.

12 C.W.N. Cr: 80.

93) Sub-sec: (4) of S. 337 requires a Magistrate who tenders pardon to record his reasons.

94) S. 248 Cr: P.C. applies to summons cases & refers to withdrawal of Complaints only.

95) As regards the Madras case quoted by the D.G., the extract does not furnish sufficient details of the case & it is difficult to form any opinion. It cannot, however, be held applicable to the case under reference. S. 249 Cr: P.C. applies

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only to cases instituted otherwise than on a Complaint. The section always occurring in Chap: XX applies to warrant cases also.

96) An order under S. 249 is specifically excluded by the Explanation to S. 403, and hence further proceedings in accordance with law are not barred.

13 Crimt L J 860.

Subd for order
D. M. 24/9

III Member

97) Seen. Please re-submit after the case is over.

98) Revised draft put up which may receive
24/9

20/9/20 28-9-20

99) Issue
M. 5003 4/10
Mark Issue this by 2 p.m. tomorrow
D. M. 1/10

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and four duty there arose and that no sanction is necessary for the distribution of the reward. (Rs 1000) as the same was neither offered nor sanctioned by Govt.

(7) Resubmitted with reference to Member's minute infra para 97.

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4/10 III Member

D. M. 6/10

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6.10.20

102) There have been several irregularities in connection with the handling of this case which call for notice.

I (1) The accused an Ad Bavani Criminal did not have been taken into custody for the following reasons

(1) The constable would have been charged with British India

(2) There was no means of keeping him if he escaped except by means of extra duties warrant which means delay

(3) The illegality in which of keeping the accused in custody for more than a fortnight.

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II The pardon granted by the District Magistrate on the recommendation of the Deputy Chief & the I.G.P. the principal accused who played on the credulity of the Deputy Chief promising him to release his eldest son while making clever arrangements with his people for his escape from Police custody and who did ultimately escape from his custody the Deputy Chief - was quite illegal under the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code & the person concerned should have obtained the previous sanction of the Govt if they intended to drop the prosecution.

154 III. The utter indifference shown by the District Magistrate & the I.G.P. towards this deceit & brought his Govt to ridicule and his actions & proceedings will demand & repeal both in his house-keeping as Deputy Commissioner & Chief Secretary in Bengal & other places -

155 Then was to also his escape & the presence from his custody for

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which the Police Supt. is responsible, and I do not propose taking any notice of his conduct as he showed patience, perseverance and tact in recovering a valuable Diamond Brooche lost from the house of the late Mr Krishnaswami Iyer's son while he was staying in Bangalore — the conduct of the Police however requires notice and explanation & I put up a draft memorandum which may be communicated to them —

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165) Magh President in Council if the Dewan approves —

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Dewan

17/10/20

D. M. 12/10

167) Yes

14.10.20

168) Circulate

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 546th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Mysore on the* 3rd November 1920. 19x

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186. Subject. - Clause v of the schedule.

Notice to be taken of the irregularities in procedure on the part of certain Police Officers in the burglary case in Bangalore City by the Bavariahs.

(Police 183-19).

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

109) **The attention of the Inspector General of Police and the District Magistrate may be drawn to the irregularities brought to notice in the case and the displeasure of Government communicated to them.**

(Signed) M. Kantaraj Urs,
Dewan of Mysore.

Note.-

Irregularities may be brought to notice of Inspector General of Police and the District Magistrate and displeasure conveyed.
Draft order may be circulated.

"EXTRACT"

C S Ballasundaram

Chief Secretary to Government.

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	Anthony Probyn.
110)	Please instruct a draft order.
	Dy. Sec. 8/11
111)	Subd with a draft order.
	Dy. Sec. 12/11
3082 15.11.20	Chief Secy
	III Member —
	Dy. Sec. 15/11
	~~Copy~~ ~~draft~~
112)	Sec. draft order may be circulated.
	16/11
113)	Circulate
	Dy. Sec. 16/11
	C. S.
114)	Secy. to Remarks
	22.11.20

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(For Disposal by Circulation.)

No. C. 262

.....19.20.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

Draft order in connection with certain irregularities in procedure on the part of certain Police Officers in the burglary case in Bangalore City by the Bavariahs.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Balasundaram Ayyangar

Chief Secretary to Government.

.....25th. November.1920.

Extraordinary Member of Council. Seen by Hon. the Extraordinary Member. 27/11.

First Member of Council. Seen 27.11

24-Nov-1920 Second Member of Council. Opinion recorded

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27.11.20.

Third Member of Council. Draft approved.

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*23. As soon as circulation is complete and the opinion of the Council is recorded, the file will be forwarded to the Secretary in the Department concerned for transmission if need be to the Financial Secretary under Standing Orders and for submission to the Dewan or Member in charge.

(15) Circulation complete.

Forwarded with compliments to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department under *Rule 23 of the Subsidiary Rules of Council Business.

By Order,

C. Balasundaram
Chief Secretary to Government. 8/12

Put-forward
Ker
9/12

(16) Subd with draft already in the file raised by me this day.

Rev Secy D.M. 10/12

(17) Put up D. & N & D. S. N

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Police D.M. 13/12

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(18) draft D. & N. Subd

Revenue 19/12 (19) Both D. & N. & D. S. N. are subd.

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(20) Subd with a D. & N.

III Member (21) JF Napier Ker

D.M. 21/12

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(22) Final note signed by the Member is put up 5/1

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(1) I do not see the D.S.N. in the file.
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(2) Submitted to D.S.N.
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Final Note by the Third Member of Council.

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Subject:-

Irregularities in the procedure adopted for the recovery of stolen property in a case of burglary in the Bangalore City in June 1920.

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(1) These papers relate to certain irregularities in the procedure adopted by certain Police Officers in an important case of burglary in the Bangalore City.

(2) 2. During the months of May and June 1920 there were a series of house-breaking and theft cases in the City of Bangalore and other places in which much valuable property was lost. One of the cases occurred in the Purna Prasada in which many silver articles and clothing were removed and another in a Bunglow in the Lalbag road, the temporary residence of Mr.Balasubramanya Iyer of Madras, in which a necklace worth Rs.10,000 was lost. In connection with the burglary at Purnaprasad, the thieves left behind a spoon-like iron instrument which Mrs.Narasinga Rao Purnaiya picked up and handed over to the Police. Enquiries made of the shops of iron smiths showed that a Sadhu had come to the shop of one Sab Jan and had asked for an article similar to the one left at the Purna Prasada to be made for him. The Police watched his movements and when the Sadhu came to the shop to receive delivery of the article they arrested him and detained him in custody. After working for some time they recovered from him some cloths of the value of about Rs.700/-. But the bulk of the property consisting of jewels, cash &c, had been taken away by his accomplices. It was discovered that the man under arrest - Bhagavandas - was a Bavari, a well known criminal tribe in Northern India, and had eight convictions.

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27) 3. At this stage Mr.Sri Narasimha Shastry, District Superintendent of Police, stepped on the scene and took the case from the hands of the Assistant Superintendent Mr.Sirajuddin. The accomplices of this Bavari had to be arrested and the large amount of stolen property was to be recovered. The Inspector General of Police and the District Magistrate, Bangalore, in consultation with each other decided to send Mr.Sri Narasimha Shastry to Northern India with the prisoner for this purpose and they did so without obtaining the previous orders of the Government. When the matter came to the knowledge of the Government, I recorded the following minute on 9th July 1920:-

28) " I see from the Deputy Commissioner's letter that the accused is taken to British India to assist the Police in capturing the gang of Bavaris. The legality of this procedure may be examined. I think the prisoner becomes free the moment he sets his foot on the British soil. The proper procedure was to work up the case upon the information obtained from the accused here. What will our police do if the accused escapes?

29) There was no necessity I think to send both the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Police on this errand. It would have been quite sufficient for the purpose if the Assistant Superintendent of Police who presumably has worked up this case had been sent. The Inspector General should not have denuded the District of both these higher officers of Police."

30) 4. The accused Bhagavandas was taken to Shamli and then he led the Superintendent to believe that he would deliver the stolen property if he was given an opportunity to meet his wife at the Edga in the village of Zinzana. Accordingly a meeting was arranged for at the Edga and the Superintendent went with the prisoner without taking the least precaution against his escape. The accused had in the meantime sent word to his people and arranged for his rescue from the custody of the Superintendent. As soon as the Superintendent approached the Edga, a number of Bavaries armed with weapons made their appearance and Bhagavandass

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ran and joined his comrades. The Superintendent had to beat a retreat. He tried to recapture the escaped man but failed in his efforts. A reward of Rs.2000/- was offered by the owner of the lost necklace and Mr.Sri Narasimha Sastry directed his attention towards its recovery. He began negotiations with this escaped Bavari through some of his castemen and gave him to understand that he would be given a pardon for all the offences committed by him if he returned the necklace. On his suggestion the Inspector General of Police recommended and the District Magistrate granted the pardon accordingly, contrary to the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code and without obtaining the sanction of Government.

5. Thereupon I noted as follows in my minute of 11th October last:

"There have been several irregularities of a serious nature in the handling of this case which call for notice.

I. The accused, an old Bavari criminal, should not have been taken outside the Mysore State for the following reasons:-

(1) The custody would have been illegal in British India.

(2) There was no means of recapturing him if he escaped except by means of an extradition warrant which meant delay.

(3) The illegality involved in keeping the accused in Police custody for more than a fortnight."

"II. The pardon granted by the District Magistrate on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Police and the Inspector General of Police to the principal accused who played on the credulity of the Superintendent of Police promising him to deliver the stolen property while making secret arrangements with his people for his rescue from Police custody and who did ultimately escape from the custody of the Superintendent of Police, — This was quite illegal under the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code and the officers concerned should have obtained the previous sanction of the Government if they intended to drop the prosecution."

(33) "III. The utter indifference shown by the District Magistrate and the Inspector General of Police towards their duty of bringing the offenders to justice and the recovery of property worth thousands of rupees lost in the house-breaking cases at Purna Prasad and other houses in Bangalore and other places.

(34) "There was also the escape of the prisoner from Police custody for which the Police Superintendent is responsible, but I do not propose taking any notice of his conduct as he showed patience, perseverance and tact in recovering a valuable diamond Addike lost from the house of the late Mr.Krishnaswami Iyer's son while he was sojourning in Bangalore. The conduct of the other officers however requires notice and the displeasure of the Government may at least be communicated to them."

(35) 6. The matter was then considered in Council and it was resolved that the attention of the Inspector General of Police and the District Magistrate might be drawn to the irregularities brought to notice in the case and the displeasure of Government communicated to them.

(36) 7. A draft order prepared accordingly has been circulated to the Members of Council and is herewith submitted for the gracious approval of His Highness.

5th January 1921. MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Submitted to His Highness.

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(27) I submit herewith a Final Note by the Third Member of Council on the subject of certain irregularities in the procedure adopted by certain Police Officers in an important case of burglary in the Bangalore City, for His Highness' gracious approval.

7th January 1921

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PRIVATE SECRETARY MYSORE

The Palace, Mysore,
10th January 1921.

RS
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My dear Sir,

In returning File No. 763 dated 8th January 1921, I am directed to say that Para 3 of the Draft Government Order may, in His Highness's opinion, be omitted because, the Inspector General of Police , at any rate, displayed no lack of interest in the case. The method adopted in dealing with the accused Sadhu was [redacted] most objectionable, but this point is sufficiently dealt with in the remainder of the Government Order.

Yours sincerely,

To Rev Ley with Compts
1921

Rajasevadhurina
Sirdar M. Kantaraj Urs, C.S.I.,
Bangalore.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

13) Draft order regarding notice to be taken of the irregularities in procedure brought to notice on the part of certain Police Officers in the burglary case in the Bangalore City by the Bavaries.

FOR PERUSAL OF
HIS HIGHNESS'S ORDERS

First Member 11.1.21

Second Member (on leave)

Third Member. Seen

Order.

13a) May the revised order issue

3rd member 12.1.21

13b) Yes

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12.1.21

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General and Revenue Secretariat. | Police File No. 183 of 1919

Serial No.	
26	To The D. G. of Police The Dist Magte., Bangalore Dist— No. G 13847-8 dl/17/18, i. 1921 Makes the observation that there have serious irregularities in the handling of the case & communicates the displeasure of Govt to the D.C. Bangalore & the D.G. of Police
	142) His Highness's orders have not been perused by the other Members of Council.
	143) This will, if approved, be sent to the Confidential Br for needful action JAR 1911
	144) Yes. D. M. C/1
	To the Cabl Br)
	145) Circulation for perusal of H H orders complete.
	To the Revenue Secretary, with compliments.

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No. C 3812
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OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.
Dated Bangalore, the 21st June 1920.

FILE NO. 8[illegible]19
SERIAL

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Encls.

From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer Esq., B.A.,

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the occurrence of two burglaries in the Bangalore City last week, deserving to be brought to the notice of Government.

The first was on the night of the 16th instant—New Moon Day—at Purna Prasad. Two iron-bars of the window were bent and silver vessels and a gold watch worth in all about Rs. 1200/- were stolen. An iron spoon (ಕೊಡ) with the handle pointed so as to be useful for boring walls also was found at the spot and has evidently been used for bending the iron bars. A match-box and a piece of what appears to be a wick soaked in wax or other substance and dark in colour were the other clues left at the spot.

The other was on the night of the 18th in the Lalbagh Road in one of the bungalows belonging to Mr.Usman Khan's brother and occupied by some rich gentleman from Madras. Here too, the bars were bent. Five trunks and one rattan box were carried outside through the aperture thus made and thrown out far away after the valuable contents were taken. The loss is very heavy, the chief article lost—a diamond necklace being worth more than Rs. 10,000/-. The other articles stolen are worth about Rs 1,000/-.

The city Police are doing their best to detect these cases and are in communication with the Civil and Military Station Police also. Intimation has been sent to Madras and other places.

As a preventive measure, arrangements have been made to strengthen the night patrols by the loan of men from the Provincial Reserve and the District Reserve.

I would very respectfully, in this connection, invite reference to my letter No. C. 2599 dated 6-3-1920 and request early sanction to the very modest increase that I have proposed to the pay of t the City Constables in order that the City Police Force might be maintained at its full strength without any vacancies.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02964—300—14-5-20

From

The Inspector-General of Police

in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government

of H H. the Maharaja of

Mysore,

Bangalore.

Dated

Despatched 22. 6. 1920

No. C 3812

Enclosure

Subject.

Reporting the occurrence of two burglaries in the Bangalore City last week

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No. C 3812/21

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, the 7th July 1920.

Police 183-19-2

8 JUL 1920 *Encls.*

From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
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8 JUL 1920

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. C 3812 dated 21-6-20 reporting the occurrence of burglaries in Bangalore City, I have the honor to enclose a copy of letter from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District intimating briefly the progress in the investigation. Seeing that the value of the necklace lost is very large, the Deputy Commissioner and I are of opinion that it is necessary to pursue the investigation further by going to Muzafernagar and other parts and making every effort to recover it. The proposals made by the Deputy Commissioner have my entire approval and I submit the same for the sanction of Government.

2. In anticipation of such sanction I am sending Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry and party to-night paying them Rs.1500/- out of the money available in my office. I request the favour of early sanction so that I may draw the advance and recoup the money I have paid.

3. From the list placed before me by Mr. Narasimha Sastry I find that Rs.1500/- is required and Rs.1000/- will not be enough.

The party are going to a very distant place and it is necessary that they should not run short of funds there.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02964—300—14-5-20

From

The Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of H H. the Maharaja of
Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated

Despatched 7.7.20

No. C.3812

Enclosure /

Subject.

Furnishing particulars in pursuance
re the burglaries in the B'city
& requesting sanction to the grant
of a sum of Rs 1500 to meet expenses.

Letter No. 14 dated 6th July 1920 from the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District to the Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

I have the honor to state that, as you are aware, the investigation conducted hitherto by the District Police Superintendent and the City Assistant Superintendent has disclosed that a gang of Bavaries was concerned in the heavy burglaries recently reported in the Bangalore City and ~~that~~ and that one of the culprits, by name Bhagavandas was arrested on a housebreaking implement picked up at Poorna Prasada immediately after the occurrence, having been traced to him. The information subsequently furnished by this accused has led to the discovery of clothes valued at Rs700/- and odd.

2 Accused Bhagavandas has since undertaken to take our detective party to Muzafarnagar District in the United Provinces, where himself and his accomplices reside, and assist in capturing them and in recovering property yet to be traced.

3. This Bhagavandas has had 8 convictions traced to him and appears to be the head of one of the Bavari gangs of Northern India that are said to have been frequenting this State for the purpose of committing burglaries. It is very desirable that an attempt should be made not only to arrest the other culprits and recover the valuable properties recently stolen by this gang but also to collect as much information as possible about these dangerous and desperate criminals who are unknown to many of our Police Officers, in order to help them in the further prevention of crime hereafter by these gangs.

4. I, therefore, propose that Mr. S. N. Sri Narasimha Sastry, the District Superintendent of Police, who is best qualified for this very important work, be deputed on special duty for a month. He may be in charge of a party consisting of the marginally noted officers and men for assisting him in his work.

1. Mr. Sirajuddin, Assistant Superintendent of Police
2. Inspector Mr. Munivenkatappa
3. Sub Inspector Munisamappa
4. Do. Lakshminarasimhiah
5. Sergeant Chowriappa
6. P. C. 32 Nagasingh
7. Do. 240 Mahomed Sheriff
8. Do. Ramakrishna

5. Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry will be permitted to take the accused ------ Bhagavandas with him. The entire party will be instructed to return in a fortnight with Bhagavandas, before the period of his remand expires; but Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry will be empowered to use his discretion and spend some time longer in Northern India, with a few of his men if absolutely necessary for the investigation of the case and the recovery of the properties.

6. To meet the travelling expenses of the party, a sum of Rs.1,000/- may be placed at the disposal of the District Police Superintendent.

7. During the absence of Mr. Sirajuddin, Mr. C. Krishniah, the senior of the Inspectors of the City Police, may be in charge of the City Police, and your Office Assistant Mr. Abdul Khader, may be placed in charge of the ---- District during the absence of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry.

8. I request that you will be so good as to accord your early sanction to the said proposals, as prompt action is needed, and Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry should leave this place on his special duty tomorrow evening at the latest.

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Inspector General of Police.

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By No. 435 Police 183-19-3

Proceedings of the Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Read:-

Correspondence ending with letter No. C.3812 dated 7th July 1920 from the I.G. of Police reporting upon the occurrence of two burglaries which took place in the Bangalore City, and requesting sanction to an advance of Rs. 1,500/- to meet the expenses of Mr.S.N.Sri Narasimha Sastry and other police officers (as noted in the margin) who are proceeding to Muzaffernagar in the United Provinces and other places to pursue the investigation of the case.

r.Sirajuddin Md. Assistant Supt., of Police.
" Munivenkatappa, Inspector.
" Munisyamappa, Sub Inspector.
" Lakshminarasimaiya. do
Chowriappa, Sergeant.
Nagasingh. P.C.
Md. Sheriff. "
Ramakrishna. "

Order No. 14335-4

Dated Bangalore, 27th July 1920.

Subject Approval as it is not in the original Despatch Book & the Number applied

The advance asked for is sanctioned.

2. Government observe that there was no necessity to depute the Superintendent of Police in addition to the City Assistant Superintendent of Police for the recovery of the stolen property. The latter who has presumably worked up the case so far and who is of sufficient experience and status could have been entrusted with the work. As it is, the City and the District have been placed in charge of new men at this important season of the year when there are heavy demands upon the services of the Police for keeping order and regulating traffic in the City. The legal aspect of the case too should have been examined before the accused was taken out of the Mysore State. ~~As, however, the officers~~

have already left their stations their deputation as well as of other men is sanctioned. A report should be submitted as soon as the deputation is over of the work done by each of the officers.

16/7/17

Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

16/7 The I. G. of Police in Mysore.

" Comptroller, Mysore Government.

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OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

No. C 3812

Dated Bangalore, 19th July 192 0.

DIARY No. 985

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SECTION:
FILE No.
SERIAL No.

From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. C. 3812 of the 7th Instant, reporting the deputation of Messrs. Sri Narasimha Sastry and Sirajuddin for Special duty in Northern India for the recovery of the valuable properties lost in the recent cases of burglary in Bangalore City, I have the honor to state that for one week after the party left three telegrams were received which were not of much importance. On Thursday last a telegram was received in these terms:-

"Though telegram sent, wife not come. Bhagawan's behaviour treacherous. Antecedents alarming. Local Police say nocturnal raids entail loss of lives as last year. Trying another stratagem. Wire Shamli."

2. I could not take action without consulting the Deputy Commissioner who on that day was touring in the District with the Revenue Commissioner. When he came back on Friday I adopted his suggestion and on that evening sent a message in these terms:-

"Deputy Commissioner consulted. Send Bhagawan within remand time if treacherous. Yourself staying for completing investigation without risking life,"

3. The latest telegram from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry dated 17th July was thus:-

"Latterly Bhagawans information verified. His wife undertook showing house where property accused were. Arrangement made raiding house midnight confining Bhagawan Jinjhala Station. While proceeding Jinjhala last evening Bhagawan took us to place where guide would wait. Though sufficient precautions taken armed mob more than hundred attacked. Bhagawan escaped. Sirajuddin and local Police following us fired-no risking life. Case registered taking extradition-proceeding".

4. I might say that before the deputation was approved the matter was very fully gone into by the Deputy Commissioner and myself. The risks involved were not unknown to us. As the case against Bhagawan Dos, who is reported to have been rescued, was quite clear, we did not think his escape would affect us much as extradition proceedings could always be resorted to. We were of opinion that even if our efforts should prove absolutely fruitless as regards the cases under advertance, our position would not be worse than before the deputation and that there would be the advantage of some of our Officers getting first-hand knowledge of Bawari. This will be clear from the following sentence from the Deputy Commissioner's letter (Copy already forwarded to you):-

"It is very desirable that an attempt should be made not only to arrest the other culprits and recover the valuable properties recently stolen by this gang, but also to collect as much information as possible about the dangerous and desperate criminals who are unknown to many of our Police Officers, in order to help them in the further prevention of crime hereafter by these gangs".

5. Though my last letter is not quite clear about the matter I said in my first Office draft thus:-

"No doubt in no account about Bawariahs is it said that any Police Officer went to Muzafernagar and recovered property. Still the Deputy Commissioner and I now have carefully thought over the matter, are of opinion, that it is worth while making an

attempt. Even if the visit should prove poor of results so far as these cases are concerned, a first hand knowledge of this dangerous criminal tribe, would prove useful for prevention and detection in future".

6. That Bhagawan Dos will be recaptured and will meet the fate he deserves is what the Deputy Commissioner and I have no doubt about. We are also hopeful that his associates will also be caught and more property recovered.

7. I had given Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry letters of introduction to the Inspector General of Police, Alahabad and Superintendent of Police, Muzafernagar District and have this day telegraphed to these Officers and the Collector of Muzafernagar to help our Police.

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02964—300—14-5-20

From

The Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of H H. the Maharaja of
Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated

Despatched

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Enclosure

Subject.

DIARY No. 1441

No. 3812 Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 24th July 1920.

Police 183-19 Sec No-5

From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer Esquire, B.A.,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To C.S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter No. C. 3812 of the 19th instant reporting the rescue of Bavari Bhagavan Doss in Northern India, I have the honor to forward herewith for information of Government a copy of letter dated the 17th instant received from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry reporting the detailed circumstances in which the unfortunate incident occurred.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02963—GPB—300—16-4-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated

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Received

General No. ROC 3812 19-20

Encl. No. 1

Defailed report from Mr
Sri Narasimha Setty
re Escaping Bhagavan

Letter dated 17/18 th July 1920 from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore to the Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

I beg to report that after the despatch of my telegram dated the 15th instant, reporting what I learnt from the local Police about the conduct of Bavaries to which the accused Baghavan Doss belong, the latter requested me to send another wire to his wife so that he could have a talk with her at Zinzana when she would go to the Post office to have the telegram read. Accordingly, a telegram was sent and the accused was taken towards Zinzana under proper escort, arranged in consultation with the local Police. Hard Hardly had we arrived at a place 4 miles from Shamle, we met a Bavari woman when Baghavan Doss stated as his sister, and requested permission to have an interview. On questioning she replied to Baghavan Doss that she was going to Muzaffernagar as per telegram sent by him. Mutual sympathise were exchanged.

Both the parties shed tears for the trouble in which Bagavan Doss had been entangled. His Sister Karthari told him that all his accomplices had returned to their places about a fortnight ago and that they had not given to her or Bagoo a share in the booty due to him. Baghavan Doss replied that if she really meant to see him off from the trouble, she should assist the Police in arresting his accomplices and in recovering the property. She agreed to do so, took an oath to that effect and wanted permission to go back to the village and to meet us again at Shamli the next morning, sounding Baghavanna who was the leader of the Gang about the disposal of the property. She then returned to Jattanakhanpur. The whole party came back to Shamli with the accused Baghavan Doss.

2. Yesterday at about 11 A.M. Karthari the sister of the accused and Baghoo his wife met us at Shamli as promised, and stated that Baghavanna who had the property with him, refused to give the share in the property itself, but ~~xxxxxx~~ assured to give her a share in the sale proceeds of the property after disposing of the same to the best advantage of the parties concerned, and

wanted us to take immediate steps to arrest him lest he would dispose of the property and thereby render its recovery impossible. They also undertook to meet us in the evening at a Zumma Mosque by the side of ZinZana, after obtaining correct information as to the exact place where Baghavanna and his sons and brothers would sleep in Hemandaghatta and furnish the same to us on our assuring them by taking an oath in the Masque to the effect that the accused Baghavan Doss would be taken as an approver. Accused Baghavan Doss also induced us to do so and warned that, if we failed in so doing quickly, we could hold him responsible for the failure any longer.

As there was no reason whatsoever to doubt the statement of the females, they were asked to go back to Hemandghatta and to meet us at the place fixed for the purpose at the appointed hours with the required information, preparing themselves to lead the party to Baghavanna's house in the midnight, since Baghavan Doss would have to remain in ZinZana lock up. The females returned to their village.

3. I then met the Circle Inspector and told him all that took place and requested him to arrange for a raid at midnight. In complying with my request, he issued orders to the Sub Inspector concerned and promised that he would leave the place at 4 P.M. to Zinzana with officers and men available in the shamli station. The time appointed for the arrival of the females at the mosque was before sunset. The Circle Inspector and his party did not start though waited till 4-15 P.M.& In order to keep up the engagement, I left Shamli at 4-15 P.M. with the accused Baghavan Doss and the marginally noted officers and men in two Tongas, leaving Mr. Sirajuddin behind to bring the local officers and men as early as possible, taking care at the same time to be at a distance from us, in order to avoid suspicion that might arise by our going together in the minds of the vigilant passers by, if any, that are interested in the accused.

(1) Inspector Mr. G. Munivenkatappa
(2) Sub Inspector Munisawmappa.
(3) Sergeant Chowriappa.
(4) Havaldar Mahomed Shariff.

4. Our Tangas arrived at the place where the road deviates towards Zinzana. The mosque could not be seen. On questioning, Baghavan Doss said that the mosque referred to was four fourlongs off in the same direction. The tongas were driven further where we could see a structure alike the one in front of mosque. Baghvan Doss stated that that was the placed fixed to meet his wife and ~~sis~~ Sister. On going nearer we found that it was not a mosque but an Edga. To the north of Edga the fort wall and the houses of Zinzana could be seen at a distance of 3 or 4 furlongs. On enquiring we learnt that the villages where the Bavaries lived were 5 or 6 miles off from Edga. We waited there for 15 minutes. Sub Inspector Lakshminarasimhaiah and constable Nag Singh also joined us. Just at sunset Karthari the Sister of Baghavan Doss arrived at Edga. On seeing her we all went there and met her. She said that Baghoo wife of Bagavan Doss was coming in another direction with the tiffin bundle intended for Baghavan Doss. She went in that direction and called Baghoo. Accused Baghavan Doss sat and began to smoke turning to the east. Just then Mr. Sirajuddin and the three local Police officers were coming towards us. On seeing them Baghavan Doss said" Our Sahib is coming". Immediately after Baghavan Doss jumped and began to run, while a mob of more than one hundred persons with spears, swords and clubs was rushing at us in front. I chased him for about a furlong with the object of catching him before the mob approached. The others who were with me also were coming from behind. But unfortunately I had a fall. By the time I got up and resumed chasing, the accused gained time and the mob came close. This rendered our further chase impossible. Just then I heard the noise of the Gunshots from behind where Mr. Sirajuddin and the local Police officers were. The mob rescued Baghanvan Doss and retreated. On looking towards the north and south, I noticed armed men running scattered here and there. We all returned quite disappointed, and joined the local Police Force about 50 in number and requested the local officers to send search parties forthwith to Jattankhanpur where Baghavan Doss and his females could be found and offered ourselves to accompany~~ing~~ them. They said that they would do so ~~as that nour~~ the next morning as it would be unsafe to go to Bavarian Villages

at that hour. As desired by them, we proceeded to Zinzana station and gave a complaint to them promising a reward of Rs 200/- to any that would arrest the runaway.

5. This morning we all followed the local Police officers and men to the marginally noted villages and were present when they made enquiries therein and verified the information given to us by the accused Baghavan Doss as regards himself and his accomplices and were perfectly satisfied that every one of the information given by him was correct; but the persons required for our case including Baghavan Doss and his females were not present in the houses nor had they left any valuable articles therein.

1. Hemandghatta
2. JattanKhanpur
3. Khanpur Bavaria or pipli Khanpur.
4. Khedi
5. Kuksa

6. Requesting the Circle Inspector and his assistants to give the matter their personal attention, we returned to Shamli in the evening. I then met Mr. Farran, the District Superintendent of Polic Muzaffernagar, who had encamped at Shamli and brought to his notice all that took place since yesterday, and requested him to issue needful orders to the Local Officers to exert in recapturing ----- Baghavan Doss.

7. While regretting for the disappointment, he mentioned to me the worry that the Bavarians whom he called as the most troublesome and cunning class of Criminals in India, have been giving him by committing offences in places far off from his District and his desire to drive them to a settlement as early as possible.

8. In this connection he also told me that the Inspector General of Police, 2nd State, had come there about four months ago with about 50 armed men to raid the gang in connection with detection of a case of Burglary committed by the Bavaries in the tent occupied by His Highness in which property worth Rs 10,000/ was stolen and yet his attempt was unsuccessful.

9. The gangs of Bavaries referred to above are not living in one village along with other communities like our gangs of Korchers and Vaddars. They have settled themselves in a jungle tract consisting of about 12 villages close to one another. The present strength of the male members of the community is estimated at more than 1000.

Their villages are so situated that all can muster at an alarm given in any one village in cases of emergency for the purpose of defending themselves. These gangs were registered under Criminal Tribes Regulation in the year 1914. The District Superintendent of Police says that after they were so registered, the task of controlling them has become extremely difficult, since the members who absent themselves for the purpose of committing Crime will remain during the daytime in Jungles all round, which afford convenient shelter for them and return to their houses only at such times when it would be ~~inconvenient~~ inconvenient for the Police to notice their presence in the village, keeping all the while some of their men on an elevated place with instructions to give an alarm as soon as they notice any attempt by the Police to enter the village for capturing the absentees so that they may prepare themselves either for concealing their presence or for driving the Police away from the village using force if necessary. The local Police are terribly afraid of this organization of theirs.

10. As regards the capture of Baghavan Doss and his accomplices I told him that I would obtain extradition warrants for their arrest and surrender. while promising his personal attention for the arrest of these men, he advised me to see Mr. Aga Sher Ali, a retired Circle Inspector and Mr. Asker Hassain the Land Lord, who reside in the Bavarian villages and who are in his opinion capable of arresting them without much diffculty and request them to help me and the local Police in arresting them. The help which the Bavarians were getting from the said Gentleman at times of necessity was mentioned by Baghavan Doss, while he was in our custody. The District Superintendent also wanted me to give him a note specifying therein the names and descriptions of persons wanted by me. As advised by him, I shall see the Gentleman referred to and do the needful.

11. On my arrival at Shamli a telegram sent on 16-7-20 by the Inspector General of Police, was delivered to me. As directed therein I am sending Mr. Sirajuddin, Sub Inspector Munisawmappa,

Sergeant Chouriappa and constable Nag Singh back to Bangalore. and myself proceed with the further investigation with the help of Inspector Mr. G. Munivenkatappa Naidu, Sub Inspector ~~Inspector~~ Lakshminarasimhia and two Constables.

12. Thus the day dated the 16th July 1920 is the most unhappy day I had to pass in my twenty seven years of service. The Criminals we had to deal with, in a foreign country like the borders of the Punjab are the most intelligent cunning and desperate as Mr. Farran styles. Their organization is simply marvellous as can be seen from their success in securing more than 100 armed men just by the side of Zinzamma where a police station is situated, though their homes are more than 5 miles from the scene, for the purpose of securing the person under arrest. Mr. Farran says that as per information he has collected, the Bavaries were getting telegrams from Bangalore about the capture of the accused and the movements of the Police. Their females are more cunning and better trained than their husbands. Karthari and Baghoo referred to above have already completed their 60th and 70th years of age respectively and yet they played their part so very successfully without giving slightest room to any of us for suspicion as can be seen from the facts mentioned above.

13. It is however a matter for satisfaction that a danger to lives especially at the time when our party was attacked by the mob on these sides, was averted.

14. I shall in the couse of investigation collect as much information as is available regarding these Bavaries in order to prevent further commission of crime by them in the Mysore State. As per information furnished by Baghavan Doss, Bavaries used to cease committing crime in the locality where there are well known. If this is true, the work done by us so far both here and in Bangalore District is likely to go a long way in preventing these Bavaries to get into the Mysore State for some years to come. The result of the action I am taking to recapture the Baghavan Doss will be reported in due course.

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Inspector General of Police.

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File No 183-19

Serial No. 6

Diary No. of letter replied to 985

No. 12099

General and Revenue Secretariat
(Police)
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To
The D. G. of Police
in Mysore

Date of issue 28/7

Signed by M' Rao

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. C3812 d/ 19th July 1920 regarding the deputation of Messrs. Sri Narasimha Sastry & Sirajuddin for Special duty in Northern India in connection with the recovery of properties lost in the recent cases of burglary in Bangalore City I am directed to state that Govt do not approve of the arrangement of placing the Asstover. to the

SUBJECT

D. G. of Police in charge of the Bangalore District Police in addition to his own duties. Mr. Abdul Khader may

may be relieved of the
office charge and placed
in sole charge of the
Dist Police ~~Office~~, the Principal,
~~Supt of Police in charge~~
~~of the~~ Police Training
School, ~~as~~ as being directed
to look after the duties
of the office Asst in
addition to his own

I have &c

~~For Chief Secy~~

~~SEC~~

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Copy to the
Controller to act for information

Chief Secy

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PROTECTION BRANCH
30 JUL 1920

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE
183-19

Dated Bangalore, 29th July 1920.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 2099/Police dated 30/7/20 183-19-6 of the 28th Instant about placing my Office Assistant in charge of the Bangalore District Police, I write to say that Mr. Abdul Khader is attending almost entirely to the work of the District and I am running my office. I suggested this arrangement in order that Mr. Abdul Khader might not lose the local allowance he is newly entitled to as Office Assistant and would in the circumstances request sanction to the arrangement.

Yours sincerely,

C.S.Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

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Date of issue..... 28/7.....

Signed by..... M.C.S.B.....

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File No. 18-3 1-

Serial No. 7.

28/VI/20

No. 2090 Police.

To A. Subramanya Iyer Esq
I. G. P.

Dear Sir,

Vur Mahé Ran
Bavari prisoner has es-
caped, I am directed to
enquire what the Superin-
tendent of Police, Bangalore; would
like the V. Province police
to do with the Mahé Ran, if
he should be arrested to
resume his charge.

Yours &c,

D. M. 28/7

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Police 183-14-8

To 31/7/20

The I. G. of Police in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the correspond-ence ending with your letter No.R.O.C. 3812/19-20 dated 24/26th July 1920 re the deputation of Messrs. Sri Narasimha Sastry and Sirajuddin Ahamed for special duty in Northern India for the recovery of the valuable properties lost in the recent cases of burglary in the Bangalore City, I am directed to point out that the Superintendent of Police does not make any mention in his detailed report as to whether he and his party were armed or not at the time of the interview between the accused and his sister near the Edga and if they were armed, why they did not fire at him, nor does he give any indication as to where he had posted his men. This point may be made clear by enquiry or otherwise.

2. I am also to request you to be so good as to obtain the statements of the officers who accompanied the Superintendent as to what duties were assigned to each of them in this affair and whether the local police were consulted in the matter and what was their advise. It may also be made clear whether the accused was handcuffed and if he was - how he was able to run so swiftly as to out-distance the Superintendent and his party.

I have etc.

Chief Secretary.

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Roc 3812-19

Office of the Inspector General of Police

in Mysore, 183-19

Dated Bangalore, the 30th July 1920.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your D.O. letter No.2090 dated 28th Instant about the escape of the Bawari prisoner, I write to say that the Assistant Superintendent and others have returned to Bangalore. The Superintendent, one Sub Inspector and 2 Constables are still there.

The escape, in my view, prolongs the visit of the Superintendent as attempts for re-capture have to be made and information also obtained as regards the associates of the escaped accused person .

Copies of my telegram to the Superintendent and of my letter to the Inspector General, United Provinces of the 27th Instant are enclosed.

I have telegraphed to the Superintendent to-day to be here in a week.

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Letter No. R.O.C. 3812 dated 26/27th July 1920, from the Inspector General of Police in Mysore, to the Inspector General of Police, United Provinces, Allahabad.

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In continuation of my letter No.R.O.C. 3812 dated 19th Instant, I have the honor to state that from the report of my Superintendent of Police and the oral report of the Assistant Superintendent of Police and others who have returned from Shamli, it is clear that the valuable diamond necklace which there are good grounds to believe has been taken away there by the Bavaries, is not likely to be recovered within the limited period at the disposal of my Superintendent. I earnestly seek your help in the matter of recovery of the same. As you are aware a reward of Rs. 1000/- has been offered by the owner who is not unwilling to give more, provided the jewel is recovered.

As regards Bhagawan Doss, alias, Nagtoo Bhawan alias Bhagavana alias Lachman alias Mangli alias Mangti, I am in possession of his photograph and his Finger Impressions and by circulating the same to all administrations, I expect to be able to catch him. This might take some time. Under your orders the re-capture might perhaps be effected earlier. Extradition proceedings have been started and a warrant for the arrest will be obtained from the Hon'ble the British Resident. A reward of Rs. 200 for his arrest is offered.

It is said he and his associates came here in two batches He has given the name of six his associates and the seventh is perhaps his own son. ~~There~~ Their names are given in the margin*

1. Bhagavanna son of Kallu-native of Hemandghatt
2. Mevalal son or brother No.1 of Hemandgatt.
3. Hooderam.
4. Dhuliya son of ~~Gottu~~ Gollu of Hemandghatt
5. Badari
6. Polla son of Shia Ram.

My instructions to my subordinates were that independently of the information that

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that Bhagawan Doss might give, they should find out who the associates could have been and get, if possible, their photographs and finger impression slips. I shall be very grateful for any help you can render in this connection also.

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Inspector General of Police.

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Telegram dated the 27th July 1920, from the Inspector General of Police in Mysore, to the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District, C/O Police Superintendent, Muzafernagar.

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Your telegram of 24th and report of 19th perused. Try and get photos, finger impressions and full information about associates before returning.

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Inspector General of Police.

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A Reward of Rs. 200

The above Photograph is of one Bhagavan *alias* Nagtoo, a Bavari for whose arrest the reward is offered, as he with others was responsible for heavy burglaries in the Bangalore City in June 1920. He was arrested on 22nd idem, but was rescued by an armed mob of about 100 Bavaries at Jinjhana on the 16th July 1920 in Muzafarnagar District, United Provinces, whither he had taken the Mysore Police promising to give information about his associates and the property stolen.

Descriptive roll:—Age about 75 years. Medium height, sallow complexion, sturdy built, thick eyebrows, and lashes, oval countenance, heavy furrow on fore-head above right eye. He is of the Salanki sect, was born at Rattoon and was residing in Jatan Cawnpur near Jinjhana.

Previous Convictions :

The following are the previous convictions traced against him in the Finger Print Bureau, Hyderabad, Hazari Bagh, Jail No. 2068.

Name :—Nagtoo Bhawan, son of Sundar, caste Gowala, Village Noobas, Police Station, Bidouli ; District Muzafarnagar.

(1)	380	I. P. C. 25—6—06	2 years'	R. I Balasore.
(2)	411	Do.	1 year	do.
(3)	$\frac{457}{109}$	Do.	1 year	do.
(4)	380	Do.	2 years'	do.
(5)	$\frac{457}{109}$	Do.	2 years	do.
(6)	401	I. P. C. 26—3—07	5 years'	R. I., Sessions Judge, Cuttack.

Further convictions traced in Simla Finger Print Bureau.

Name :—Lachman *alias* Bhagavana *alias* Mangli *alias* Nagtoo *alias* Mangti son of Sundara, caste-Bowriah, Village-Ahmedgarh or Khanpur ; Police Station-Bidouli ; District-Muzafarnagar.

1. Ajmeer, 22—10—17, 109 Cr. P. C., one year R. I.
2. Muzafarnagar, 21—9—18, 22 C. T. Act, 3 months' R. I., J. A. No. 2453.

If traced, the District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, may be intimated.

ALFRED B. HAYES,
Superintendent of Police,
Railways and C. I. D.

V. B. SOOBBIAH AND SONS, FORT, BANGALORE CITY.

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No. C 3812

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, the 2nd August *1920*.

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From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. letter No. C.3812 dated 29/30th July 1920 about the escape of the Bhavari prisoner, I enclose copies of reports received later from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry. As the reports received on Friday the 30th Idem showed that there might be some chances of the re-capture of the man and recovery of some property, the Deputy Commissioner and I sent a message to him in these terms:-

"Your latest reports received. Advise local gentlemen under Government suspicion, their best chance redeeming character rests procuring property. Owner might perhaps reward them half jewel. Do not prolong visit. Your presence here required".

2. Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry will, I have no doubt accept his responsibility for the escape of this prisoner. He has been very earnestly working to retrieve his reputation. He has secured the help of local officers. It seems to be worth while giving him some time more to work there. I request permission to wire to him in these terms:-

"Continue in those parts so long as you are hopeful

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but at any rate start positively on 15th on return journey".

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02964—300—14-5-20

From

The Inspector-General of Police

in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government.

of H H. the Maharaja of

Mysore,

Bangalore.

Dated

Despatched 3-8-20

No C 28/12

Enclosure 3

Subject.

Forwarding report from Mr Sri Narasimha Murthy in the escape of Bhavani

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Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District in Bangalore City Crime No. 533 of 19-20.

25-7-1920.

Muzafernagar.

To day being Sunday I could not see the District Magistrate and the Superintendent of Police, in company with Mr. Aga Sheir Ally. This I will do to-morrow. Mr. Moha Singh the Sub Inspector of Zind brought informant Mr. Shadiram to day from Amvali village. Myself and the Inspector General of Police of Zind spoke to him about the movements of Bavaries. He informed that the accomplices of Nanjatoo Bhagavan are quite different from those whom he was all the while telling us. He stated that Nanjatoo Bhagavan left the place in May last to Bangalore in company with one Moti son of Kunda 2. Heera son of Kundan, 3. Dyaram of Khanpur Bavaria, 4. Santal of Ahmedghad, 5 Ratna of Ahmedghad, 6 Lepalak fostered son of Nangatoo Bhagavan and another from Arjunas left committing offences on the information given by Manraj son of Nankiah (Husband of Karsari) of the wealthy condition of people living in Bangalore City. He assures us that the persons concerned both in Zind and Bangalore cases were from Jathankhanpur and that the persons wanted by us as well as Zind, have now taken shelter in the jungle close by and that Heera was stated to have been in possession of the necklace, a sady and a silk turban.

Arjuna is said to be the person who led the gang to Zind. His sister also had come to day. She corrobarated the information given by Shadiram.

Shadiram has been promised a very liberal reward if he gets me the Jewel.

Sub Inspector Mohansingh who being a native of Shamli has thorough knowledge of all these Banyas has been asked by the Inspector General to assist us in the recovery of our property and in the arrest of Nangitto

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Bhagvan.

This morning I took Mr. Aga Sheirally to the Police Superintendent and the District Magistrate and told him the lines on which Mr. Aga Sherially proposes to work. The District Magistrate instructed him to utilize for our work the services of Bhagavana and others whom Nangattoo Bhagavana had unnecessarily accussed. Both of them approved Sheirally idea to collect all Bavaries and hold a punchayat as to the desirablility of giving out the persons concerned in Bangalore cases to undergo trial in Bangalore.

They advised Mr. Aga Sheirally to cooperate with me heartily and to see that offenders are brought to book.

As it is late to day, we will be proceeding to-morrow to Singari a village close to Bavarian villages.

"C O P Y"

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the Police Superintendent Bangalore District in Crime No. 533 of 19-20 Bangalore City.

23.7.20. Muzaffernagar

Sent Sub Inspector Mr. Mohan Singh of Zinda State in consultation with the Inspector General of Police, to Sadiram of Amvali village near Jathan Khanpu to collect information about the where- abouts of persons wanted for my cases as well as in his cases.

Met the Collector and the District Magistrate of Muzafernagar and told him about our cases and the circumstances under which our prisoner Bhagavandass escaped. He went on giving out his experience of Bavaries, how they baffled the best attempts made by the Police arrest persons concerned and to recover property stolen in the burglaries committed by them in the tents occupied by their Highnesses the MaharajaS of Cashmeer, Gwaliar and Zind, and in Bombay. He also ~~maintained~~ mentioned that in order to ~~serve~~ Save the Country, he has sent up proposals long ago to the Government for settling them under criminal Tribes Regulation and that his proposals are still pending sanction as the Government have to decide about the souce from which the funds required for the purpose have to be met. He considered it ~~XXXXXXXXX~~ advisible that our Government should move the British Residentnt to represent ~~the~~ me Government of India about the doings of Bavaries and request early sanction of the proposals pending about their settlement.

As regards the steps to be taken to arrest the Bavaries, he hoped that the District Superintendent of Police would do all that lies in his power. He promised as requested by me to tell Mr. Aga Sheirally referred to in my previous dairies to arrest Bhagavan Dass and to help me in finding out the property.

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Mr. Aga Seirally ~~met me~~ this day. We had a talk about the steps to be taken towards the capture of Bavaries and recovery of ~~the~~ property. He suggested that before proceeding further it is necessary that we should go to Delhi and arrange in consultation with the captial Police for the seizure of the property in case if it had already been disposed of there or it comes for disposal here after. ~~We~~ We both of us will proceed for this purpose to-morrow and do the needful.

24-7-26. Visited Delhi this day in company with Mr. Aga Seirally and returned to Muzarfernagar at 12 midnight.

Spoke to the Railway Inspectors and the City Inspectors about the loss of the Property in Bangalore Burglaries furnished them with copies of lists of stolen properties and requested them to find out if the jewels yet to be recovered have been disposed of at Delhi and if not, to arrange for watching the movements of Bavaries from Zinzana, Shamli and Muzafernagar and the receivers of property at Delhi. The matter was at once circulated among all the officers and men of the Railway and Captial. Their ~~informers~~ informants were sent for and given needful instructions to collect information about the disposal of the jewels.

Myself and Mr. Aga Sheirally visited the jewellery shops in Delhi and ~~communicated~~ examined the necklaces and rings in stock there. ~~Here~~ Those which we could see were quite different from those stolen from the complainants house.

The informants and men deputed by the Railway and Captail ~~XXXXXX~~ Inspectors returned and reported that the jewels required by me have not as yet come to Delhi for sale They have kept a ~~shop~~ Sharp watch over the receivers of stolen properties and gold smiths engaged in preparing such jewels

On my return from Delhi I found Sub Inspector Lakshminarasimhaiyya also was down with high fever, The doctor who was treating him as well as constable Rama

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Ramakrishna stated that they will be alright in a couple of days.

C O P Y .

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, in City Crime No. 533 of 19-20.

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20-7-1920
Camp-Shamly.

To day in consultation with the Circle Inspector, Shamly and Sub Inspector Jinjhana arranged for the deputation on Special duty of Constable Sharafath Ally of Kirana for the purpose of capturing Bhagawan Doss promising that he would be promoted to the Grade of Head Constable if he captures him. This Constable is said to be very familiar with all the Bawaries, having had to serve at Jinjhana for a long term.

Land Lord, Mr. Saderam who lives in Anival village adjoining Bawarizan tract in whom the Bavaries are said to have confidence has also been deputed for the purpos by the Sub Inspector, Jinjhana. An order has also been issued to all the constables of Jinjhana that if any one of them succeed in arresting the accused he wil be promoted to the grade of Head Constable in addition to the reward already promised.

I spoke to the District Superintendent of Police about the further action to be taken towards the captur of the accused and recovery of the property. As required by him I have furnished him with a note specifying the names and descriptions of persons concerned in Bangalore cases and the names of those that have been helping them in the disposal of property as given out by Bhagawan Doss. The result of my interview with Mr. Aga Sheirally was brought to his notice. Himself and his brother-in-law Asker Hussein being the holders of the land where the Bavaries resi

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are strongly suspected of having been helping them in every way including the disposal of the property. So much so that the District Magistrate and the Superintendent of Police have got an eye on them. As requested by me, the Superintendent of Police promised that he would send for them and warn them, that orders would be issued for opening History sheets for them if they fail to arrest Bhagawan Doss. The tract where these people live being a vast jungle area, the Superintendent of Police is of opinion that raiding would be of no use for the purpose of capturing him. As regards the finding of the property yet to be traced, Sub Inspector of Jinjhana has been asked as suggested by the Superintendent to find out in the Zinzana Post Office if any parcels have been received by the Post Master and delivered to Bavaries during the period commencing from the 14th to 25th June 1920 and if so the name of the senders by whom and the name of the Post Office at which they were despatched. The Superintendent of Police desired me to see him on the 26th instant at Muzafernagar where he will be able to give me some information about the result of the steps taken to arrest Bhagawan Doss and give me more information about the Bavaries so that it may be useful for the prevention of the further Crime by them. He also told me that these bavaries are not likely to visit Mysore for some years more to come.

Constable Mahomed Sheriff whom I had left at Muzafernagar as reported in my yesterday's diary returned to day and reported that Mr. Aga Sheir Ally was really interested in helping us and he wanted to see him a couple of days' hence, so that he might communicate the information he would gather from the Bavaries whom he would expect shortly.

This night some Budmashes probably Bavaries who

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who are interested in seeing us off from the place pelted stones at us at midnight when we were sleeping in the open yard of the building occupied by us. With the help of the servants of the Building, we guarded ourselves the whole night and the night passed off without any more trouble.

21-7-1920
Camp. Muzafernagar.

This morning on enquiries being made, I learnt that some sheep were stolen last night from the vicinity of the building where we were put up. From this it is inferred that the Bavaries visited Shamly last night with a view to rob us and their attempts being unsuccessful returned to their homes removing the ~~sheets~~ Sheep which they could pick up on their way. This was brought to the notice of the Circle Inspector. From the enquiries made, I learnt that Banyas both at Zinzana and Shamly as well as in Muzafernagar are in the habit of receiving stolen properties from the Bavaries. Informants are selected and sent to find out if at any time after the burglaries were committed in Bangalore any jewellery was purchased by the Bunyas from the Bavaries.

At this stage, I thought it advisible to ~~have~~ leave this locality for some days just to give an idea to the Bavaries of my having left the country and watch the result of my attempts stopping either at Meerut or at Delhi. I therefore left this place and arrived at Muzafernagar.

Rai Bhadoor Lala Saderam, the Inspector General of Police Jind State Mr. Balavantsingh, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Jind and Mr. Pandi and Mohan Singh, the Sub Inspector arrived at Muzafernagar this day and I spoke to them about the cases committed in their limits by the Bavaries. They stated that in all 8 burglaries were committed within a space of one

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month in the Jind State, one of them being the theft committed in the Tent occupied by His Highness the Maharaja, during his State Tour, and that the offence was committed by the Bavaries. One of the Bavaries who was found lurking at the place was arrested by the Sentry. Subsequently it was ascertained that 8 more Bavaries who were engaged in committing the theft effected their escape with the booty. The person arrested gave them some information which disclosed that Bavaries of Jattan Khanpur were concerned in the Crime. The houses of 8 Bavaries who settled long ago as agriculturists in the villages of the Jind State were searched but no property was found. The Bavaries of the Muzafernagar District are in the habit of selling their females to the members of the Jot community. Thus about 8 Bavaries females are residing in the Jind State with their Jot husbands or paramours. One of the Bavarian female Omkasi wife of Patrarode of Ritoly village in the Karnal District, Government Territory Panjab, had a sady of Daccan Pathem of Sovereign colour with laced red borders in her possession and it was seized by the Zind Police in February 1920 while she was on her way to Ritoly from Jattan Khanpur via Sapedo Police Station, Jind State. When questioned she explained that she purchased the same for Rs.24/- from a Bavari of Jattan Khanpur, Muzafernagar District. This Omkasi is said to have escaped while kept under surveillance climbing over one of the fort walls about 30 feet high. This Omkasi is said to have abandoned her first husband Ganga, a Bavari of Jattan Khanpur and there took Patra Rade of Ritoly as her 2nd husband. The object of her going to Jattan Khanpur was to marry her son by first husband to a girl of Khedi village.

The Jind Police in the month of February 1920 raided the Gangs at Jattan Khanpur and adjoining villages but

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but could arrest only one without any property. They then charge sheeted the two and obtained extradition warrants for the others. These warrants are pending execution with the Shamly Police. It is in this connection that these Gentlemen have come here. They are waiting for the arrival of the Superintendent of Police for consultation and adoption of measures to effect the arrest of other Bavaries required by them. I told the Inspector General of Police Jind State, the circumstances under which Bhagavan Doss escaped and the steps I have been taking to have him re-arrested. Jind State is about 80 miles from here and it is possible for them to bring men from their own State for raiding the Gang. The Inspector General and Assistant Superintendent of Police say that in their opinion raiding either during night or day will be of very little use, since the men ~~warranted~~ wanted by the Police will always remain out or leave their houses as soon as their Sentry who will be deputed for the purpose give a signal about the arrival of strangers at the village entrance. I am however inducing them to arrange for a raid on a night at which all the male members cannot but remain in their houses either for a feast, marriage or any other ceremony.

The extradition warrants obtained for the arrest and surrender of persons wanted by them are endorsed to Mr. Agab Sheirally for execution, he being a Zamindar of the locality where the Bavaries reside (Sec.75 C.P.C Mr. Aga Sheirally has not Letters ~~to~~ executed the warrants. The object of the Jind Police is to institute proceedings against him for his failure to assist the Public servant under Section 187 I.P.C. The Inspector General is also contemplating to address the Government of the United Provinces of Agra and

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Oudh, in the matter of passing early orders for driving them (Bavari/Settlement) to a.

Bavaries, who are as I have already reported over 1000 in number occupying a jungle tract of 4 Square miles in area.

I shall find out if the sady said to have been seized in the possession of Omkasi will tally with any of those ~~last~~ lost in Bangalore Burglaries.

This evening I attempted to meet Mr. Aga Sherally and ascertain the result of his attempt to collect information about the City Burglaries, but on arrival at his house, I found he was engaged in speaking to a Bavari. Hence I put off my interviewing him till tomorrow.

22.7.1920
Muzafernagar Camp

This morning I met Mr. Aga Sheirally and spoke to him about the result of his enquiry. He stated that information we have received from Bhagavan Doss about his accomplices and the booty they had was true and that he would try his best to give information at a time, when he could find the accused sleeping in his house during night times, if he fails to succeed to get them at his house at Bedowli. As regards the disposal of property, he is of opinion that, as the Bavaries are accustomed to do, they disfigure all gold and silver jewellry and sell them to Bunyas at Jinjhana and Shamly through females, of whom Kastari, the sister of Bhagawan Doss is said to be an expert. As regards the diamond necklace, he thinks that Kasatari must have seprated the diamonds from the gold and sold them to to merchants at Dehli through Bunyas of Shamly, since their sale in smaller markets will not fetch proper price. The information given by Mr. Aga Sheirally is

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is being verified. He admitted that his brother-in-law Mr. Asker Hussein has perfect control over the Bavaries and pleaded his inability to get Bhagavan Doss owing to Asker Hussein bedridden.

The Jind Police have sent a wire to the District Superintendent of Police of Muzafernaganr, who is in Camp requesting to meet them. No reply is as yet received from the District Police Superintendent's Camp.

On going through the various lists of stolen properties I have with me, I find the description of the sadi said to have been seized from Omkasi by the Jind Police tallies with the description of a sadi stolen on 6-12-1919 in the house of Mr. B. Narasimha Iyengar, in the limits of the Basavangudy Station, I shall secure the sady and send it to Bangalore for being shown to the complainant.

The information given by Mr. Aga Sheirally and the Jind Police go to show that a lot of property of Daccan Pathem had been brought and disposed of in their parts by the Bavaries and that the opinion of the Bavaries about the people of Mysore and Madras is that they are very rich but extremely timid. This has probably tempted the Bavaries to visit our country occasionally. It is therefore worth while to keep a very vigilent watch over the movements of northern India mendicants roaming about towns and villages and to make the place hot for them either by looking them under Criminal Tribes Act or under the preventive sections of the Criminal Procedure Code.

It is certain that they will travel by trains with large sums of money advanced to them either by Aga Sheirally, Asker Hussein or other Bavaries. Arrangements will therefore have to be made to watch

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every train at all our Railway Stations and bring such mendicants under strict surveillance, and the officers and men who will be deputed for the purpose will have to be given a bear idea as to the facts they have to bear in mind in recognizing Bavaries.

Sd/- Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore District.

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Inspector General of Police.

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No. 2950

General and Revenue Secretariat
(Police-)
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To
The D. G. of Police.
in Mysore.

Date of issue 5/8

Signed by Mr Pm

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. C 3812 of 2/3rd August 1920 regarding the escape of the Buvari Bhagavandas, I am directed to state that Govt approve of your proposal to allow the Bangalore Supdt of Police to work in Northern India till the 15th instant.

2. The telegram proposed by you in this connection may be despatched.

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No. 3812 Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.
Dated Bangalore, 6th August 192 0

From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer Esquire, B.A.,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to state that in pursuance of Government order conveyed in your letter No. G. 2950/Police 183-19-11 of the 5th instant a telegram was despatched yesterday to Mr. Sri Narasimha Satry to continu to be on special duty in Northern India till the 15th instant and to start on the return journey on the latter date. A copy of the extract of his Special Diary from the 27th to 29th July 1920 received this day, showing the progress done by him towards the recapture of the absconding accused Najtoo Bhagavan, is enclosed for the information of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police

WD 02963—GPB—300—16-1-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated

Despatched 6.8.20

Received

General No. C 3812

Encl. No.

Forwarding copy of extract of special diary of Sri Narasimha Rao, showing the progress done by him towards the re-capture of absconded accused Rajoo Bhavalpur

Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District, in Crime No. 533 of 19-20 Bangalore City.

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27-7-1920

Camp Singra

This morning, myself, and my Staff left Muzafarnagar with Mr. Aga Sheirally and arrived at Singra, a village in the midst of Bavarian villages, where Mr. Aga Sheirally lives. Though Sub Inspector Lakshminarasimha and Constable Rama Krishna were sick, yet we could not ~~have~~ leave them behind. Information was gathered through the Bavaria females goes to show that Bhagawan Doss with his wife and sister roaming about the jungles armed with a sword in company with persons concerned in Jind burglary. The persons named by him , as his accomplices are also wandering in the jungles in order to avoid arrest in burglaries committed by them in Bombay, Ratlam, Gwaliar and Cashmir States. Mr. Aga Sheirally has been trying to secure the presence of the latter in order to get Bhagawan Doss arrested in the 1st instance.

Kamarde and Yasoda, the wives of Bhagawanna and Uderam had come. They were advised to inform their husbands and others to come and meet us tomorrow morning in order to help us in capturing Bhagawan Doss. They apprehended that they would be arrested in case if they would appear before us. They were assured that no action would be taken against them and on the other hand, they would be given reward if heartily work with us. They returned promising that they would communicate the same to them and bring them tomorrow.

Another information received shows that Bhagawan and his party returned shortly after committing burglary in the Gwaliar State. This information will be verified further.

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At Zinzana, Mr. Ibrahim Hussein, a leading and an

an influential gentleman who was trying to help Cashmeer Police in detecting a heavy burglary committed in the Tent of His Highness the Maharaja, described how Kartari who cheated us, deceived Cashmeer Police, by associating her daughter with one of the Head Constables, in getting all the jewellery melted by the goldsmith of Jinjhana assuring all the while the Cashmeer Police through her daughter that the Head Constable would be taken to the Place where property would be disposed of by persons to whom the same has been entrusted and how the Police had to have the Police quite disappointed.

We have now to deal with the people of Kartary's stamp.

28-7-20
Singra Camp -

Engaged in collecting further information regarding the doings of Bavaris. As I have already reported that there are more than 1000 males capable of committing crime, living in the 12 villages occupied by the members of the community. The Police could hitherto find out 742 persons. Of these several have passed out of view. These persons have their leaders at the rate of one per batch of 15 or 20. These leaders are called as Daredars Nagatoo Bhagawan and his real accomplices who are responsible for Bangalore burglaries were from Krishna's Dera (Tent). This Krishna is stated to have been once employed by the C.I.D. I received information from a reliable source that these bavaries are now travelling in the Mysore State under different disguises, such as Byragees, Sadhus, Phakirs, Attar and Sweetmeet sellers, Grass cutters and Chaprasies, Scavengers, picture exhibitors carrying boxes to jatras, fares &c., and that almost every year lot of property is stealthily removed from Mysore State to their houses in these 12 villages.

The bavaries are in my opinion responsible for most of our undetected heavy burglaries committed all over

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over the state. It is therefore very necessary that clear instructions should be given to all our Officers to watch the movements of the Northern Country people travelling in different disguises referred to obtain the photos of those, whose movements are suspicious, forward one copy to Mr. Aga Sheirally, Retired Police Circle Inspector Bedouli Post, who has promised to communicate forthwith if the person photographed is a Bavari or not, and on the receipt of a reply from him to take action against such persons under Section 109 or 110 C.P.C.

I am also engaged in making a list of all Bavaries who are now engaged in committing crime all over the country. I also learn that the Bavaries have of late changed their codal words, since they were convinced that the meaning of the words they were using was understand by the Police Officers having been published in books on crimes by Bavaries.

The heavy rain that commenced last night continued the whole day preventing thereby the movements of persons from place to place, consequently the bavaries who were expected for panchayati did not turn up. Information was also received this day that accused Bhagawan Doss, his son Chenna, his nephew Namraj, his fostered son Lepalak, his wife Bhagu, sister Kartari and one Arjuna were seen armed with swords and sickle in a jungle about 10 miles from Ahmedghad and that Bhagawan Doss left his village about 5 days ago keeping his daughter Berigo in incharge of his house at Jattankhanpur. Steps are being taken to have them arrested through Bhagavana and others.

29-7-1920 · There was a break in the weather this day at 12 noon. 9 Bavaries from Ahmedghad, 3 from Khooksa, 6 from Khanpur Bavaria had assembled this day at Singra. The absentees and the persons suspected to have been concerned in the

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Bangalore cases as well as in rescuing Bhagawan Doss did not turn up. Mr. Aga Sheirally who was present at the meeting explained the object of the panchayati to be held as advised by the Collector and the Superintendent and wanted them for the purpose to produce all the members including absentees without the fear of being caught by the Police. They hesitated to do so. They were assured that the absentees would not be arrested. They all left the place promising to turn up to-morrow with as many bavaries as they could collect and hold a panchayati.

In the course of conversation with the bavaries, it was ascertained that the same batch headed by Bhagavan Doss committed the burglaries in the houses of Messrs. Rajagopala Char and Krishnasamy Iyengar in June 1919 in Basavangudy and that Bhagawan Doss after celebrating the usual Poojie to the Godess of booty melted the gold and silver jewels in the jungle, removed the precious stones from the head and ear ornaments and disposed them off through the bunyas of Jinjhana and Jots of Ranganna and distributed the sale proceeds amongst his confiderates. After committing the recent burglaries, it is stated that as soon as Bhagawan Doss was arrested, his fostered son Lepalak and nephew Namraj brought the booty from Bangalore and gave it to Karthari. It is a custom among Bavaries, that every detatchment of thieves that would go for plundering should, as soon as they return with booty, arrange on a grand scale during night time, on an auspicious day for worshipping the booty inviting all the Bavaries including the absentees of all the 12 villages and give them all a sumptuous meal, which they call Devi prasadam. I hear our escaped prisoner Nagatoo Bhagawan has not performed this kind of worship, for the booty brought by his nephew and fostered son. It

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is therefore belived that the property is not yet disposed of.

With the help of Mr. Aga Sheirally further information is being collected. The daughter of Bhagavan Doss is being induced to give information about the whereabouts of her father.

C O P Y.

Inspector General of Police.

Police 183-19-13

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C No. 3812 Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 11th August 1920

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From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Inspector-General of Police in Mysore;

Bangalore.

13 AUG 1920

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

CHIEF PROTECTION 14 AUG 1920

Sir,

In continuation of this Office letter No. C.3812 of the 6th Instant, I have the honor to forward herewith for the information of Government, copies of Special Diary Extracts for the 30th, 31st Ultimo and 3rd and 4th Instants received from Police Superintendent Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry on Special Duty in Northern India in connection with the detection of the burglary cases of Bangalore City committed by the Bavaria Gang-together with copy of my telegram and of my letter sent to him this day, instructing him to continue on Special duty there till the end of this month.

A copy of his telegram received later is also enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

WD 02963—GPB—300—15-4-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated

Despatched 12-11-20

Received

General No. C 3812

Encl. No. 6

Forwarding Copies of Special diary extracts from the Police Supdt Mr Sri Narasimha Rao in connection with the detection of the burglary case of Rangaiah Chetty committed by the Pranois Gang

Extract from the Police Superintendent's Special Diary in City Case No. 533 of 19-20.

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Complainant	Accused.
Mr. Seshagiri Sastry, High Court Vakil, Madras.	1. Bhagawan Doss. 2. Chenna 3. Heera 4. Santal 5. Narayan 6. Nandalal 7. Dayaram 8. Rathiram.

30.7.20.
Camp Srigra.

The different methods adopted for the arrest of the accused and the recovery of property are:-

1. Inducing persons who were unjustly implicated by accused Bhagawan Doss, to arrest him (accused).

2. Warning the daughters of Bhagawan Doss of the consequences of their failure to induce their father, mother and aunt to surrender themselves with the property.

3. Warning the leaders of the Bavaries that if they fail after a regular panchayati to produce Bhagawan Doss and his accomplices with the booty, they will all be driven by force in due course to a settlement which would entail the loss of freedom and consequent hardships.

4. Inducing the accomplices of Bhagawan Doss to demand for their shares in the booty.

The result of the 1st method is that Meghu, the brother of Bhagawana gave information that Bhagawan Doss and his followers have not gone far off and that they are changing places every day with a radius of 3 or 4 miles in the jungle all round Jattan Khanpur. He also promised that he would endeavour to capture him.

The result of the 2nd method is that the daughters

of Bhagawan Doss agreed to induce their parents to surrender themselves with the property.

The result of the 3rd method is that 17 Bavaries of Khanpur Bavaria, one from Jattan Khanpur and one from Ahemedghad had come with their leaders. Their description here will not be out of place. They are all previously convicted more than once having been concerned in very heavy burglaries committed mostly in native States. In almost all such burglaries, the value of their booty was in no case less than Rs. 4000/- when Cross examined by Mr. Aga Sheirally they addmited having brought property-worth Rs. 30/- to 50/- Thousand from native States and disposed them off most successfully. None of the Bavaries whom I saw this day is less than 6 feet in height. They are very strong and study persons and will always carry with them latties of 6 feet in length and wear chadavs. From their replies, I am convinced that they have understood that I am the cause for their present unrest. They did not like me to know anything about their previous history. As desired by Mr. Aga Sheirally, I warned them that if they fail to produce after due panchayati, the persons concerned in my cases together with booty I will have to arrange for stationing a detachment of cavalry at their villages till all the Bavaries including the absentees are caught and booked with serious consequences. They then stated that their important leader Krishna had gone to Muzafernagar and that they would take steps immediately after his return.

The result of the 4th method is that Bhagawan Doss told his accomplices when demanded for the share that he would settle them some time after the activities of the Mysore Police would cease.

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Though I have been watching, halting here for the last 4 days, not a single Police man put in his appearance in any of the Bavarian villages for arresting the persons concerned in the complaint I have lodged with the Police who have treated the same as a heinous one. They are so very ~~pacimistic~~ pessimistic about their success in their attempts to arrest any of the Bavaries.

Havaldar Mahomed Sheriff whom I had sent this day to Jattan Khanpur to watch the movements of Bavaries reported that 2 of the bavaries whom he could recognize as those that were engaged in rescuing Bhagawan Doss ran away towards the jungle as soon as they looked at him. This I shall bring to the notice of the Circl Inspector and the Police Superintendent.

The information that some more batches of Bavaries have gone towards Mysore for committing burglaries having been verified, I sent a telegram this day to the Inspector General of Police, and Deputy Commissione requesting them to issue needful instructions to all concerned in the matter of keeping watch over the movements of Northern Indian mendicants and proceed against such of them as will be traced as Bavaries under Sectio 109 or 110 C.P.C. I note here under the names of thos who are in the habit of visiting Mysore almost every year for committing offences.

I. Krishna's Tent. Jattan Khanpur.

(1) Nangatoo alias Bhagawan Doss son of Sundar.

(2) Chenna

(3) Nathuna brother of Krishna.

(4) Ramachern son of Jachana.

II. <u>Ahmed village</u> <u>Leader-Asa.</u>

(1) Mokha son of Asa.

(2) Jeeraj son of Asa

(3) Chatram son of Mokha

(4) Padam Singh son of Mokha

(5) Narayan son of Asa (Jind case)

III. Arjuna's Tent. Jattankalpur

(1) Arjuna

(2) Govind

(3) Ajmeerya

(4) Chandrabhan

(5) Hukam

(6) Kanaksingh.

(7) Heera son of Kundan.

Ahmedghad

(1) Santal son of Surthi

(2) Nandalal

(3) Dayaram of Yaliyapur

(4) Ratiram of Ahmedghad

(5) Narayan son of Badan

(6) Lachman son of Shibu

(7) Gopi son of Heera

Bhagawana's Tent Ahmedghad

(1) Meghu son of Kallu

(2) Rameswar -Do-

(3) Meevalal "

(4) Huderan son of Bhagawana

(5) Ramasingh son of Bhagawana

(6) Chandramukhi son of Bhagawana

(7) Amersingh son of Meghu.

Hanumantha son of Jeevana

Allavadenpur.

Lekeshraj son of Natuva
Huderam son of Mery } Khedi village.

It is not only the Mysore State that is losing considerable wealth every year through the Bavaries, but also almost all the native States in India which have become a feeding ground for these Bavaries. The information shows that the other native States have been losing more wealth than Mysore. It is therefore a question for all the Native States for immediate consideration and adoption of stringent measures to prevent Bavaries from getting into their limits for the commissioner of the crime.

I had a long talk with the Bavarian males and females about their methods of crime. Except the places, where they have concealed the property and the persons to whom they have sold the property, they keep nothing secret from anybody; so much so that as soon as a burglary is reported in Mysore, if a Police Officer comes to their village and questions the Bavaries, he will be able to know the names of Bavaries concerned in the case if it had been committed by them, and the description of the property they brought, because the Bavaries are very well aware that nothing, but finding of the property would bring them to trouble.

They consider that thieving is their sacred duty. They say that every one is bound to spend part of his earning for the sake of the poor and he who does not do so will only be able to amass large wealth and it is the duty of the God to punish such men. They also say that they are the agency created by God to discharge that sacred duty. Though they earn lot, they save very little. The persons that are to be benifitted by their booty are : -

1. The Head man of the community.

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2. The village Police and the village Revenue Officers

3. The regular local Police.

4. All the Castemen from the share to be set apart in the name of God.

5. The widows and the families of those who are in jail.

6. The persons that advance the money called "Godi" before proceeding for plundering.

7. The Officials of the postal Department through which they get parcels &c.,

8. The Zamindars in whose land they reside.

9. Receivers of stolen properties.

10. Depredators.

If in any one case, the bavaries are to surrender any property, the interest of so many persons will suffer. Hence obstacles are coming for the recovery of property from all these sources.

Whenever an attempt is made either to arrest a Bavari or to recover property, so many persons will be ready to thwart our attempts.

That is how the Bavaries have been very successfully carrying on with their profession baffling the best attempts made by the Police to capture them.

The Jind Police have been trying their best for the past 5 months to recover the property of their Highness through the help of Bavaries residing in that State who are very closely related to the Bavaries concerned in their case. For the 6th time they have come to Muzafernagar with their big staff and are working under the direct guidance of the Inspector General of Police. I am also making use of their resources

resources for finding out the property concerned in our cases.

31-7-1920.
Singra.

Before reporting the result of the action taken to day, I invite reference to the various methods I have been adopting as reported in my yesterday's diary.

1. Meghu, the brother of Bhagavana came and informed me this day that Bhagavan Doss will remain during days in the jungle and sleep during nights in the house, having entrusted the property to Karthari. He added that himself and his people will be very severely punished if he and his men catch hold of Bhagavan Doss and produce him before the Police and that Bagavan Doss himself may in one of these days assist the Police in arresting his brothers who are evading arrest in several cases pending against them. He therefore advised me to arrange for a raid on a certain night.

2. The daughters of Bhagavan Doss appeared to day and stated that as advised by Desedar Krishna, their parents are unwilling either to appear before us or cause the production of the property.

3. Krishna, referred to by the Panchayatdars returned last evening from Muzafernagar. He has served in the Police Department for some years. It is he who advised Bhaghavan Doss, his wife and sister not to go to us. He is in hand in glove with one Shadiram who is an enemy of Mr. Aga Sheirally. When sent for by Mr. Aga Sheirally he declined to go to him. He is now engaged in helping the Jind Police to recover their property. I shall approach this Krishna, through the Jind Police and do the needful.

4. The further attempts made by Bhagavan Doss's accomplices to get their shares in the booty were of no use. The females who were deputed to keep watch at Bhagavandas's house last night came and informed that he together with his fostered son Lepalak and nephew Mamraj was sleeping in his house last night. On a careful consideration of all these facts Mr. Aga Sheirally and myself thought it best under the circumstances, that after giving these people to understand that I would leave the country once for all, go to Muzafernagar and arrange in consultation with the Police Superintendent and District Magistrate for a raid on a certain night taking care to see that the information is not leaked out. I am accordingly leaving this place to-morrow to Muzafernagar.

1-8-1920
Muzafernagar.

Left Singra and arrived at Muzafernagar, Via Shamly, met the Inspector General of Police, Jind, and spoke to him about the progress made. He promised that he would produce Krishna before me as soon as he returns from the place to which he has been sent.

I received to day a telegram sent by the Inspector General of Police asking me to collect all information about the persons concerned in Bangalore cases and obtain their finger prints and photos before returning to Bangalore. This will be done only after persons are caught in the raid to arrange which I am taking steps. Mr. Balasubramanyam, the brother-in-law of the complainant sent me a wire from Madras asking me to seek help from Mr. Lala Sukhbir Singh an influential gentleman residing in Muzafernagar. I went to his Bungalow to day and made enquiries. His son informed me that a letter which he received from the son of Mr. Pandit Madanmohan Malavya, requesting his father to help me in

in the recovery of property, was sent about 3 days ago to Lucknow where his father was and that his father has since gone to Haridwar.

As requested by me, he will be sending a wire to-morrow to his father enquiring when he would return from Haridwar.

Mr. Sukubeer Singh owns a village near the Bavaria tract and after his return, I shall see in what way he will be helpful to me.

To day being Sunday, I shall meet the District Superintendent of Police and Collector to-morrow and do the needful.

2-8-1920
Muzafernagar.
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I met the District Superintendent of Police this morning, explained to him all the information I gathered at Singra, the results of the several attempts made by me and Mr. Aga Sheirally and the conclusion I have arrived at.

Though in the beginning he was doubtful of the results of raiding, he was convinced that by doing so with all possible precautions, we would be able to secure either

1. The persons required in Bangalore cases.
2. -Do- Jind case
3. " Bombay
4. Ratlam
5. in the case lodged by me under section 224 I.P.C.

as the persons who are out of view and for whom warrants are issued.

I then placed before him my Scheme fo raiding the various gangs residing in 8 villages which will necessi-

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necessitate the help of a large number of Police Officers and men.

After considering the question in all its aspects, he decided to arrange for raiding two important villages Viz., Jattan Khanpur and Ahmedghad, where the leading men wanted by us are residing. He has sent for the Circle Inspector concerned. He promised that he would let me know the day he would fix for the purpose after consulting with the Circle Inspector. He also wanted me to bear the charges of the lorry which he will have to engage to take 20 armed men from here to Shamly. I accepted his proposals. I then met the District Magistrate and spoke to him on the subject. He approved of the arrangements I have made and wished success.

Sd/-Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore District.

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C O P Y

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special diary of the - - Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District in City Crime No.533 of 19-20.

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3.8.1920.
Muzafernagar.

This day I met Krishna, the leader of Nangatoo Bhagavan's gang; referred to in my previous diaries. Before reporting the details of my conversation with Krishna, it is necessary to state something about the help rendered by him to the Jind Police. There are altogether 4 gangs living in Jattan Khanpur under different leaders. They are as follows:-

1. Krishna's Tent with 35 men
2. Sarjoo " 15
3. Kundam " 12
4. Arjuna " 10.

During his employment under the Criminal - Investigation Department at Allahabad, Krishna had an opportunity of visiting several important places in India, including Madras to help the Police in the detection of cases committed by Bavaries. He has also given evidence against several Bavaries. Thus he has earned notoriety in the locality as capable of thwarting the best attempts of the Police to bring the Bavaries to book. It is this that has made the leaders of the other gangs to seek Krishna's advice at times of difficulty. Thus he has become indispensible in any Panchayat that may be convened for the purpose. The Bavaries residing in Jattan Khanpur are said to be very capable men.

It is this Arjuna's gang that committed burglary in February last in the tent occupied by his His Highness

the Maharaja of Jind with the assistance of some of the Bavaries settled in that State. Out of 10 that were concerned in this burglary, one by name Narayan, son of Asa, residing at Ahmedghad was caught by the Sentry, when he was sitting at the appointed place to watch the movements of out-siders, while Arjuna was removing the valuables from the Tent getting into the same, like a dog. Immediately after Narayan was caught, Arjuna disappeared with the booty and the others followed him. Arjuna's sister Chandanya is married to Devaraka residing in Jind State. As soon as Narayan, who was caught red-handed, disclosed the names of Arjuna and others, the Jind Police began to go in search of Arjuna and others with the help of Chandanya and Devaraka. The attempts made by them on various occasions to capture Arjuna and others and to recover property were of no avail. They then began to put pressure on Chandanya and Devaraka to induce Arjuna to surrender the property. They then had to seek the advice of Krishna. Krishna is as already reported hand in glove with Chowdari Shadiram, an influential Jamindar and a money lender residing at Amvali, adjoining Jattan Khanpur. The Inspector General of Jind approached this Krishna through Shadiram and requested them to help them in the recovery of property. Shadiram and Krishna then began to work with the Jind Police. In a panchayat held by them, Arjuna agreed to produce the property in case if the Jind Police pardon him as well as Narayan, who is in Jail. The Jind Police stated that they would pardon them after the production of property. Arjuna and the panchayatdars insisted upon the production of a letter written by the District Magistrate, Muzafernagar, promising that both of them would be pardoned. A

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letter was secured from the District Magistrate to this effect. On production of this letter by the panchayatdars, Arjuna produced the property consisting of gold and silver articles and watches and disappeared. The panchayatdars brought these articles and produced them before the Inspector General. Though the value of these articles as stated in the list of property is Rs. 3000/-, they are not likely to fetch this day more than Rs. 100/-, because they have been so badly damaged that no body would like to pay for them more than Rs. 100/-.

On a telegram sent this day by the Inspector General of Police, Jind to the Chief Minister of Jind State approved of the Inspector General's proposal to pardon both Arjuna and Narayana. They went back to Jind to release Narayana after getting his evidence recorded against the others who are still at large.

This incident gave me confidence that if I were to work through Krishna and Shadiram I might succeed in recovering the jewel in its original condition. The contents of the recent telegram received from the Inspector General were communicated to me by the Post Master in which it is stated that the complainant might perhaps forego half of the jewel in favor of the party that secure the same to him. This and other circumstances forced me to raise the amount of reward from Rs. 1000/- to Rs. 2000/- to any that would assist me in recovering the jewel in its original condition. I then spoke to Chowdhari Shadiram and Krishna on this subject and promised that they would be given a reward of Rs. 2000/-, if they help me in recovering the jewel. They said that they would try in this case, if Nangatoo Bhagawan, his wife and sister

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are excused from being prosecuted in all the cases pending against them. I said that I could try for it. They told me that as soon as they go back to Jattan Khanpur with Narayan, after getting him released from the Jind Jail, they will hold a panchayati and let me know the result; as it is only then, Nangatoo Bhagawan and others will have confidence in what they would advise. As regards guarding till then against the sale or distribution of the property among the depredators, Krishna has assured me that he would hold himself responsible for its being kept in tact. This statement of his and the information given to me by the daughters of Nangatoo Bhagavan Doss as reported in my previous diaries, gave me an assurance that ~~that~~ Nangatoo would never dispose of the property without the knowledge of the leader Krishna and that it was on Krishna's instigation that Nangatoo Bhagavan did not come up to terms when his daughters beseeched him to save them, from returning the jewel to me. I thereupon decided to work through this Krishna and his friend Shadiram for the recovery of the jewel. Both of these were told, what all that should be told in order to induce them to work honestly and straightforwardly on my behalf. The Jind Inspector General and his Superintendent also induced these to help me heartily. This Krishna then wrote a letter to his son at Jattan Khanpur asking him to inform Nangatoo Bhagawan and his sister Kartari not to disfigure or dispose of the jewel till he would return from Jind with prisoner Narayana and he would see that all their troubles would come to an end. He also stated in the letter to inform Nangatoo not to give the jewel to Mr. Aga Sheirally, as Krishna knew that I have been trying through Aga Sheirally also, for the recovery

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of the jewel. Mr. Aga Sheirally has not yet replied to my letter requesting him to let me know the progress he made in his work, after my return from Singra. I also requested the Inspector General of Jind to expedite the release of Narayan as early as possible, so that my stay here is not prolonged. The Inspector General and his Superintendent left this place to day with Krishna and Shadiram to Jind promising that they would see Narayan released within a week's time.

While leaving Muzafernagar, Krishna and Shadiram requested me not to visit the Bavarian villages or make any attempt to raid the gangs till their panchayati is over; lest the bavaries might take fright and run away to foreign country to evade arrest by the Police. What all they stated seem to be reasonable. I shall however see how to put off the raid, when I would meet the District Superintendent of Police to-morrow in connection with the arrangements to be made for raiding.

I have none with me except Sub Inspector V.Laksmi-narasimiah, a Brahmin Constable and a Mahommedan Drill Havaldar to help me in my work and it is not possible to secure the services of any other officer from Bangalore.

The District Superintendent of Police, Muzafernagar is no doubt ready to give me the help of any officer, but the officers of this District are not likely to work as I direct. I therefore thought it fit to secure the services of Sub Inspector Mr. Mohar Singh of Jind Police with whose work in connection with Jind case, I am perfectly satisfied. I therefore requested the Inspector General to kindly place the services of Mohar Singh at my disposal for a fortnight from the day on which Narayan will be released from the Jail. Inspector

Inspector General was kind enough to promise to comply with my requests. I now await the arrival of Krishna Shadiram and Narayan from Jind.

Bavari Asa, the father of Narayan residing at Ahemedghad stated that accused from 1 to 8 had gone to Bangalore for committing Burglaries and that Heera and others returned with property, immediately after 1st accused was arrested and that Nangatoo Bhagawan after he escaped from the Police custody, took possession of the property from Heera and his brother Bhageerath.

This is the stage at which we are now. We know the place where the accused are and the persons with whom the property is; and yet the arrest of the accused and the recovery of the property have been extremely difficult on account of the Bavarian organization of the commission of crime the disposal of the property, and evading arrest, as I have already brought to notice in my previous diaries. Under the existing circumstances we have to gain our object by having recourse to some sort of stratagem, as the District authorities have been telling me all along. I am hopeful of the recovery of the property by working through Shadiram and Krishna. I must wait and see how far I succeed in this attempt. Even after the recovery of property through Krishna and Shadiram, I have to arrange for raiding the gangs in order to secure the other culprits and have their photos taken for further investigation.

The copy of the writings I noticed on the walls of the Mutt where the accused were put up as well as the one sent by the Deputy Commissioner was shown to Krishna Asa and Devaraka this day. They deciphered as follows :-

1. We will be returning home.

2. We will wait for you till to-morrow. If you are not released, we will go home.

3. The distribution of the property will be put off till Magha.

4. If you are not released, pray in the name of Sreeram, Seetaram.

5. Pray also God Gavipur in Cawnpur.

Krishna has obtained a copy of these writings from me in order to ascertain from the writer himself their real meaning and communicate me the same.

From the writing contained in para 5, I have reason to think that these persons might have halted for a couple of days in Gavipur Temple. It is therefore necessary that the wall of the temple at Gavipur should be examined and the writings if there are any on the walls be copied and sent to me for needful action.

Sd/-. Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore District.

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Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District for 4-8-1920 in City Crime No.533 of 19-20.

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4-8-1920. This day, I met the District Superintendent of Police and the Circle Inspector, Shamly as previously arranged in connection with the arrangements to be made for raiding the Bavarian villages. The District Superintendent of Police being new to the District, he sent for the previous references showing the results of the raids already made and the difficulties then experienced. None of the raids made on previous occasions were successful but on the other hand lot of accusations were made against the Police, by the Bavaries, ~~Constables~~ Courts and the Public especially when one of the raiders was killed and others were wounded by the Bavaries at the time of raiding. The situation of the villages where Bavaries reside did not permit the raiding of only Jattan Khanpur and Ahmedghad as promised by the Superintendent of Police when I met him on the 2nd Instant. He was therefore not in favor of making a raid on a small scale, but promised to arrange for one on a very large scale securing 5000 men with guns, horses &c., only after the results of all my attempts to secure the property are ascertained. In addition to my attempts, he asked the Circle Inspector to go with me to Bavarian villages, collect all the persons present and warn them that if they do not come to terms with regard to the return of my property, he would order the location of 50 constables and Officers at their villages and that it would cause them considerable hardships. He also

also told me that he would visit the place himself, if possible with the Inspector General, and see what should be done to drive all of them to a settlement. It was finally decided that I should meet the Circle Inspector and proceed with him to those villages in case if I don't succeed in my present attempt.

I met this day Hon'ble Mr. Lala Sukubeer Singh, who returned from Haridwar. He is no doubt a very influential gentleman in the United Provinces on account of his association with several organizations, such as Political, Social and Economical. He has been paying a Kandayam of Rs. 60,000/- per year in this District. To him Asker Hussein who is the patron of Bavaries is highly indebted. Asker Hussein has already sold 6 (six) villages in the Bavarian tract to Mr. Sukubeer Singh. In one of those villages, Viz., Patna Prathap Pur there are about 30 Bavarian families living with the exception of 3 or 4 all the others have gone to "Paradesh" i.e. gone out of the Province for committing depredations. These are closely related to other Bavaries in Asker Hussein's villages.

Mr. Sukubeer Singh is a gentleman who has been trying to reform the Bavaries, so that they may become peaceful citizens. This is just the reason why the Bavaries and the persons who are being benefitted by them in unlawful ways are not in good terms with Mr. Sukubeer Singh. Hence his words do not seem to carry much weight with Bavaries; but some of the Bunyas at Shamly and Jhinjhana are under his clutches. So I proposed to arrange through some of the Bunyas for the purchase of the necklace from the Bavaries. Mr. Sukubeer Singh stated that he could do it and promised to arrange for the same as soon as I desire

desire him to do so. This I have to try only after I ascertain the result of the attempts I have been making through Shadiram and Krishna.

As regards raiding and searching Mr. Sukubeer Singh is also of opinion that they would be of very little or no use.

Shadiram and Krishna have reached Singam in Jind State to day in order to get prisoner Narayan released. As stated by the Inspector General, Jind, they are not likely to be here in the course of this week. I shall in the meanwhile visit Allahabad, collect as much information as I can gather about the Bavaries in the Criminal Investigation Department Office and come back to Muzafernagar to meet Krishna and Shadiram on their return from Jind.

Sd/- Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police,
Bangalore District.

Camp, Muzafernagar,
5-8-1920.

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C O P Y

Inspector General of Police.

Telegram dated 10th August 1920, from the Inspector General of Police in Mysore, Bangalore to the District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, (On special duty).

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Continue there till end of month. Letter posted.

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Inspector General of Police.

Bangalore,

Dated 10th August '20.

Dear Mr. Narasimha Sastry,

Your later Diaries are interesting and hopeful. Havaldar Mahomed Sheriff arrived here last evening and gave me details. It does not appear to me that this is the proper time for your to return here as there are chances of the recovery of property if you stop there. So do not come back now. You might stay there till the end of this month. You are right in raising the reward to Rs. 2000/-. Complainant is willing to give even more. The property should be recovered without any raid. The Havaldar says the ring lost by Mr. Seshagiri Sastry is there.

Government have transferred you to Chitaldrug. There is a fine opportunity now to re-establish your reputation and bring credit to the Mysore State Police by recovering the property. You have uniformally received my support. If you come back now it is not likely that I shall send you again to Muzafernagar. I must however add that you should not un-necessarily prolong your visit. You have the reputation of doing so and that is why I have to write to you. If there is no chance of recovering the property you must come away. A risky raid for capturing Bhagawan Doss or others does not appear to be very necessary.

Yours sincerely,
Sd/-A.Subrahmanya Iyer.
Inspector General of Police.

P.S.

From your diaries and the Havaldar's statement I understand that the gang that came here must have consisted of the following :-

1. Bhagawan Doss alias Nangtoo
2. Lepalal
3. Hira
4. Dhuliya
5. Bhagirath
6. ~~Nadalal~~ Nandlal
7. Mewalal

8. Santal.

It is perhaps Dhuliya that went out with Bhagawan Doss to Sabjan's shop here. See if the photographs and Finger Impressions of these or other associates are available at Allahabad or any where else. I did not mean that they should first be caught and x then photographs and Finger Impressions taken.

I got your wire at 6-45 P.M. Our wire & this letter make matters clear.

"Copy"

Inspector General of Police

Telegram dated 10th August 1920 from the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District(On Special Duty) to the Inspector General of Police in Mysore, Bangalore.

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Awaiting Krishna, Shadiram arrival from Jind. Permit stay till result ascertained.

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Inspector General of Police.

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Signed by.. Mr. PM.

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File No. 183-19

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To - A. Subramaniya Iyer

Dear Sir,

With reference to
letter no: C. 38120 of 11th Aug
1920 stating that you ha
instructed Rao Sri Ranga
Shastry to continue as Sh
duty in N. Arcot till the end of this m
I am directed to invite y
attention to your letter of
same no: of 2nd August 19
forwarding copy of the mes

over.

stated to have been sent to
Mrs Shasby asking him to
start positively on his
return journey on the 15th inst,
and to point out that orders
of Govt should have been
obtained for the extension of
the period in question.

Yours &c

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Dated Bangalore, 31st Aug. 1920

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From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,

Bangalore.

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for the information of Government copies of the diaries of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry, District Superintendent of Police, on Special Duty for the period from the 9th Instant to the 23rd Instant and a copy of my letter dated 30th Instant to him urging his immediate return.

I have the honor to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated
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Copy of the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District in City Crime No. 533 of 19-20.

9th & 10th August 1920.

Left Allahabd on the 9th and returned to Muzaffanagar this day. Looked with the tappals and found in one of the telegrams received from the Inspector General of Police, ----- direction to stop here till the 15th instant. It is already 10th and there are 5 days more.

Shadiram and Krishna who went to Sangnur in Jind State have not returned yet and our work in the Savarian villages cannot be commenced without them. The Inspector General of Jind has therefore been wired to day requesting to send both of them forthwith to Muzafarnagar and their arrival is awaited.

A telegram has also been sent this day to our Inspector General praying for permission to stay here till the results of my attempts are ascertained.

Nothing important was brought to notice by the informants in Muzaffernagar.

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Inspector Gneral of Police.

Extract from the Police Superintendent's Special Diary in City Crime No.533 of 19-20.

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11-8-1920 The Inspector General of Jind to whom a telegram was sent yesterday did not send his reply though waited till this day noon. Another telegram was sent to the Inspector, Sanganur, requesting him to enquire in the Inspector General's Office and send me a reply in case the Inspector General was not at Head Quarters. Thereupon, a reply was received from the Inspector General this evening, stating that prisoner Narayan will be released in about a week and that Shadiram and Krishna our arbitrators for the restoration of the property left Sangnur to Jind to take Narayan with them as soon as he is released. At this stage, I thought it advisible to go myself to Jind and arrange in consultation with the District Magistrate for the immediate release of Narayan in case if I cannot succeed in taking Shadiram and Krishna without prisoner Narayan. Jind is about 80 miles from Delhi through which the train passes to Batinda.

Left Muzafernagar at 9 P.M. and was on my way to Jind.

To my telegram of yesterday to our Inspector General I received a reply from him to day, permitting me to stay in these parts till the end of this month for the detection of this case.

Further prevention of crime by the Bavaries in our State will in my humble opinion, depend upon our success in the cases under investigation. The recovery of the property under the present circumstances, be effected in any other way than, either through the arbitrators or the receivers of stolen property.

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I shall see that our attempt in the former method will be successful as there are some risks in the latter.

12-8-1920. Camp Jind.

Arrived at Jind to day at 9-30 A.M. Met the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Mr. Balavantsingh and our arbitrators Shadiram and Krishna and spoke to them about the stage at which the question of releasing Narayan stood. The Superintendent told me that the presentation of the charge sheet is delayed owing to the non-receipt of official orders from His Highness as he happens to be the owner of the property lost and recovered and that he was expecting the orders every day. I also learnt that the orders permitting the Police to withdraw the case, is on the table of His Highness who could not look into it owing to indisposition. I am writing to Inspector General again requesting him to obtain the orders from His Highness as early as possible in order to facilitate the early settlement of my case. Having the local Superintendent with me I spoke to Shadiram and Krishna if they could not go to Jattankanpur to hold panchayati without Narayana . They told me, that in order to gain the confidence of Nangatoo Bhagavan, so that he may act according to their advice, it was absolutely necessary to convince him, that Narayan escaped from the Jind State case as a result of his having acted according to their decision. The local Superintendent and myself consider their explanation is reasonable. We have therefore decided to expedite the question of releasing Narayan before proceeding further.

Krishna informed that he had in addition to the letter written by him on the 2nd instant, sent word through a

a Bavari female, who had come to see him to Sangnur, to Nangatoo Bhagavan and his sister Kastari not to dispose of the property till his return with Narayana, as the property has to be returned to me in order to put a stop further difficulties in which Nangatoo and Kastari would be entangled if the property is not so returned.

Both Shadiram and Krishna are assuring us that they would see the property is returned. I will therefore proceed in the way they suggest and report the result in due course

Sd/- Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police.

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COPY.

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District, in Bangalore City Crime No. 533 of 19-20 from 13-8-1920 to 16-8-1920.

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13-8-1920
JIND

As reported in my yesterday's diary, I sent a telegram this day to the Inspector General of Police, Jind State, at Sangnur, requesting him to expedite the release of Narayana, otherwise my work would suffer, and his reply is awaited.

In the course of my conversation with Krishna, Shadiram and Asa, they propose that in case if Nangatoo Bhagavan is to restore the property, he should be pardoned from being prosecuted for the offences committed by him in Bangalore and that I should produce an authority signed by the District Magistrate, Bangalore as well as Muzafernagar. I have already spoken to the District Magistrate at Muzafernagar about this and he has assured me that he would give a letter provided the District Magistrate, Bangalore accepts the proposal made by Bavaries. In order to be ready for the prompt disposal of the question, I thought it better to obtain before hand, the District Magistrate's authority in writing as proposed by Krishna and Shadiram, I sent a wire this day to the Inspector-General in Mysore requesting him to kindly arrange for the despatch of an authority permitting me to proceed further.

14-8-1920
JIND

On the telegram sent by me yesterday the Inspector General, Jind, ordered the Superintendent to release accused Narayana forthwith and to await his arrival by tomorrow's train before permitting Narayan and others to leave for Muzafernagar and has intimated the same to me.

My further conversation with Shadiram and Krishna disclosed their desire to see accused Nangatoo Bhagavan

Nangatoo Bhagavan as well as Heera are pardoned from being prosecuted in consideration of their restoring the property to me. I assured them that this could be done only after the property is restored. The arrival of the Inspector General is anticipated.

15-8-20
JIND.

The Inspector General, Jind did not come to day. Krishna and Shadiram are pressing the Superintendent to permit them to go away with the accused Narayan. The Superintendent promised that he would obtain the Inspector General's permission to-morrow by wire and do the needful. Shadiram and Krishna propose that I should halt at Shamly till they would give information of the terms which they would hold immediately after their arrival at Jattankampur. I have accepted their proposal.

16-8-20
JIND

Accused Narayan was released this day and his evidence against the other accused was recorded by the District Magistrate. The Inspector General, Jind, arrived from Sangnur in the evening with whom I had a talk. He permitted all the persons concerned to proceed with me to Muzafernagar for doing the needful in my case. The lines on which Shadiram and Krishna should work up my case were chalked out in consultation with the Inspector General of Jind. We are leaving this place to-morrow by the earliest train.

Though my stay at Jind for the past 5 days may be considered as a waste of time which was inevitable under the circumstances, yet, I have the satisfaction of having had an opportunity to contract friendship with Shadiram and Krishna as well as the Jind Police with whose co-operation I have not only to succeed in my present case, but also arrange for the further prevention as well as detection of crime by Bavaries in our state as for as possible.

Sd/-Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police.

COPY.

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, in Bangalore City Crime No.533 of 19-20.

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17-8-20 This day we left Jind at 2 P.M. in company with Shadiram, Krishna, Asa and Narayana, the released prisoner with a letter from the Inspector General, Jind to the Collector, requesting him to dispose of the case under C.T.A. against Narayana, and reached Muzafernagar at 11-4-9 P.M. Further stepts will be taken to-morrow.

As regards my requisition to the Inspector General of Jind State to spare the services of Sub Inspector Mr. Mohar Singh, to assist me in this case, the Inspector General, Jind, told me that he would obtain the sanction of the Chief Minister in the matter of deputation of the said Sub Inspector on Special duty with me and then he would spare his services. Moreover Shadiram and Krishna were not in favor of taking any of the Police Officers of that State for the present.

18-8-20 This morning, I met the District Magistrate and explained to him the object of my having gone to Jind and the lines on which I propose to work with Shadiram and Krishna and that his pardoning Narayana from being prosecuted under C.T.A. will very much facilitate the work of Shadiram and Krishna in gaining the confidence of Nangatoo and other Bavaries, so as to make Nangatoo to abide readily by their advice, since Krishna expressed his desire this morning, that he should have by his side Narayan before trying to convince Nangatoo that he could guarrantee his (Nangatoo's) freedom in case he restored the necklace just as he did with respect to Narayan.

The District Magistrate agreed with me and accordingly ordered the Superintendent of Police not to take any action

against

against Narayan. He wanted me to produce Narayan with his order before the Superintendent of Police and arrange in consulation with him to send away Narayan with Krishna and Shadiram. I then met the Superintendent of Police and did as the District Magistrate desired after explaining the whole case to him. He was kind enough to permit Narayan to go with Shadiram and Krishna to his village, giving intimation of his arrival at Jinjhana Police Station. Both the District Magistrate and Superintendent advised as desired by me Krishna, Asa and Narayana to exert themselves in recovering the necklace from Nangatoo as early as possible and if they fail to do so, the whole gang would be seriously dealt with. I then despatched the whole pary with needful instructions to Jattankhanpur in the matter of taking immediate action to recover the jewel and to intimate me at Shamly, the result of their endeavours as previously settled. They desired me to be at Shamly on Firday evening. I shall after finishing my work here tomorrow, proceed to Shamly and await the receipt of information from Krishna and Shadiram.

The way in which I conducted myself this day before the District Magistrate and the Superintendent of Police especially with regard to the immediate release of Narayana has given them a clear indication of my sympathy towards their interest and has made them to do all that lies in their power to assist me in my work. I shall, however, await the result of this attempt.

Sd/- Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police.

COPY

Inspector General of Police.

Extract from the Special Diary of the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore District, in Bangalore City Crime No.533 of 19-20 from 19-8-20 to 23-8-1920.

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19-8-20
MUZAFERNAGAR

Attended this day the office of the Superintendent of Police and looked into the papers connected with the movements of Bavaries. In the course of my search, I came across with a note prepared by one of the members of the commission appointed by His Handir the Lieutenant Governor of North West Provinces and Oudh in 1890 to enquire into certain questions relating to the Police administration. This note shows that the Bavaries have all along been in the habit of committing depredations most successfully in the native states and in the presidencies of the Daccan and the connivance of their Zamindars and that the steps taken by the Government to settle them under the various schemes suggested by several local Officers were of no use. I have taken notes of important points touched in this report for inclusion in my final report on the crime by Bavaries.

20-8-1920
Shamly

As suggested by the arbitrators Mor Shadiram and Krishna, I left Muzafernagar and arrived at Shamly where I should be waiting for the receipt of information from Arbitrators who are engaged in the recovery of the property.

21-8-1920
Shamly

The whole of this day I waited at Shamly for the receipt of information from Mr. Shadiram, No information was received this day. If nothing is heard from him to-morrow I am going to send Sub Inspector Laxminarasimiah to Amvali to find out the result of their panchayat.

22-8-20.
Amvali.

When I was awaiting for information from Amvali, Narayan who was recently released from the Jind Jail and pardoned

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by the District Magistrate met me with a letter sent by Mr. Shadiram. In the letter, he had advised me to go to him to-night in a closed conveyance like a party of Pharada ladies so that our movements might be kept as secret as possible. The letter was not signed by Mr. Shadiram. Narayan assured that it was a letter sent by him with the object of securing my presence at Amvali so that any terms offered by Nangatoo might be referred to me for opinion. Sub Inspector Laxminarasimiah and myself left Shamly forthwith in company with Narayan and arrived at Amvali at 10 P.M. travelling in the way as suggested by Mr. Shadiram and had a talk with him. He mentioned that Nangato had been still hesitating to restore the stolen property, though he was half inclined to do so on being advised by Krishna and others, and that he thought it advisible to have me by his side in order to avoid delay that might be caused by sending written communication and to have the terms that might be offered by Nangatoo settled then and there. He assured that, though it would take some time, Nangatoo was likely to return the jewel with the object of seeing himself and his accomplices escaped from prosecution both here and at Bangalore. Shadiram further stated that he refused to accept the proposal made by Nangatoo, suggesting to arrange for the arrest of Bhagavana introducing a portion of the diamond necklace into his house and assured Nangatoo that he would in one of these days have Bhagavanna arrested in connection with the burglaries committed by him in Bombay Presidency. Further progress will be reported.

23-8-20 This morning Krishna appeared before me and Shadiram with Tanoo, Ramasingh and Bhageefari nathi and told me that Nangatoo and his accomplices left their homes all of a sudden at midnight on being given to understand that there would be a raid shortly to capture them in spite of Krishna's

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assuring that he would guarrantee their safety and that none but myself and the Sub Inspector had arrived as requested by him (Krishna) to help him in amicable settlement of the question. He then asked his followers to satisfy themselves by personal conversation with me if my object was not really to help Nangatoo and others. I then had a long talk with them and convinced them that if they were help me in recovering the jewellery they would find in me a best friend through whom they could not only get over some difficulties in which they are involved but also succeed in getting out of the ~~troubles~~ ~~damels~~ hammels caused to them by their zamindars. They then left the place promising to talk to Nangatoo and xx others and bring them round.

Information has also been received that Aga Sheirally and Asker Hussein are trying their beat to secure the property from Nangatoo. If they were really capable of doing so they would certainly have done so during our long absence from these parts. I am however verifying this information.

Sd/- Sri Narasimha Sastry,
Superintendent of Police.

" COPY"
By Order
Sd/.V.Laxminarasimiah,
Sub Inspector,Bangalore District.24-8-20

COPY

Inspector General of Police.

No. C 38/2 of 19-20

Letter, Dated 30th August 1920 from the Inspector General of Police in Mysore, to Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry, District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore on Special duty.

I got by to-days post your Diaries for the 19th to the 23rd instan the earlier portion of the Dairy for the 22nd wherein you refer to an unsigned letter asking you to go in a covered cart caused me some anxiety as involving risk to life. Let me tell you once again that I do not in the circumstances of this case favor anything involving risk to life.

2. No doubt boldness is necessary and one should not be chicken hearted but one has to be properly armed also. You neglected this precaution when you took the accused person to Jinjhana on the 16th ultimo.

3. The escape of Bhagavan Dass must no doubt have affected you such and you must be very keen about reestablishing your reputation; but at the same time you should be circumspect. Credulity and unwariness again would affect your reputation more.

4. Later on you say that it will take some time for Bhagavan Dass to make up his mind to give the jewel. To-day is the 30th and a week has passed since the date of the Diary and I have no wire reporting recovery. Indefinite postponement cannot be permitted in spite of what you have said in your letter dated 18th instant. If you do not start on the 1st proximo, the date already fixed, you must positively start immediately on receipt of this letter.

If persuassion for two weeks is infructuous there is no guarantee that a further stay will do good. Bhagavan Dass is playing his old game.

Narayan has been released and been paradoned by the local District Magistrate also. This officer and the District Superintendent of Police are giving every help. I have sent a memo paradoning Bhagavan Dass and I believe Mr. Narayana Iyengar has also sent one. If these are not enough I do not know what will be.

When on my own responsibility I wrote to you to continue there

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till the end of this month, Government said that I should have taken their sanction. I can make out no case for seeking an extension of time now.

5. Till now the stipulation was that Bhagavan Dass was to be let off. Now he seems to plead of his associates also.

From the first, I have been remarking that Bhagavan Dass has not been behaving as an informant or approver should.

It is not to be expected that we should enter with an agreement with thieves to let them off on condition of their returning the property. No doubt one or two are made approvers; but there does not appear to be any case where all have been let off for returning the stolen property. It would be an admission of weakness to do so.

6. As I have ~~heard~~ said already Bhagavan Dass will soon be caught and will get what he deserves. As the records are with you extradition proceedings cannot be started here. So without entering ~~with~~ into any further explanation please come back at once.

"Copy"

For Inspector General of Police.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT:—

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Diary No. of letter replied to 3835

Section Police.

File No. 183-19

Serial No. 16

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
(Police).
, the 191 .

No. 95558

Date of issue 8-9-20

Signed by M. P. M.

To

The D. G. of Police
in Mysore,
~~Mr Bangalore~~

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. ROC 3872 A/ 3188/2-9. 1920 from the D. G. P's regarding the duties of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastri on special duty in connection with the Bawari Bhagawan Das I am directed to enquire under what provision

a Full Pardon has been
granted to the said
Bhagwan Das?

I have &c

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for Chief Secy

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Pol 183-19-17

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE A126

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Bangalore, Dated 8-9-1920

No. 95559 / Pol 183-19-17

From

C S. BALASUNDARAM IYER, Esq., B. A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

To

M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

Sir,

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

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For Chief Secretary to Government.

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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

D.O. No. 20
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Dated BANGALORE, 7th September 1920.

Dear Sir,

I send enclosed for the information of Government a copy of the telegram I have just received from Mr. Srinarasimha Sastry from Shamli, stating that he has recovered the necklace almost intact. The other portions of his telegram will become more clear when he writes a full account of his recent doings.

I am,
Yours sincerely,
CBJ M.A. Narasimhan.
7/9.

To
C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Where is Mr. D.S.P.?
Return this R.R.?
9.9.20
10/9/20

DIARY No. 4657

No. Roc 3812 Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.
Dated Bangalore, 10th Sep. 1930

SECTION Police
FILE No. 183-19
SERIAL No. 19

From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

C.S.Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. C.3812 dated 2nd Instant about the burglary by Bavariahs in Bangalore City, I have the honor to enclose a copy of telegram received from Mr. Sri Narasimhasastry to the effect that he has recovered the necklace almost intact.

2. Mr. Narayana Rao has joined my Office as Office Assistant on the 6th instant, and as Government are aware Mr. Abdul Khader is working in the Bangalore District. Unless Mr. Sri Narasimhasastry is placed on Special Duty, it is likely that the Comptroller will object to pass his pay. I therefore request that this Officer might be placed on Special duty from the 6th Instant. In regard to the duration of this Special duty, I shall write again after his return to Bangalore. If the recovery of the jewel is really found to be creditable and he has also collected the information that I had instructed him to collect, the period might extend to the end of the Dasara Holidays; so that while taking the rest he must be needing very much, he might write an account also for reference in future.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

P. Narayanrao

For Inspector General of Police

WD 02963—GPB—300—16-4-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

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To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated

Despatched 10th September/20

Received

General No. Roc 38/2

Encl. No. /

Re Bavari - Bagavandas

Recd 11/9

Telegram dated the 6th September 1920, from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry, Police Superintendent, Shamli (Special duty) to the Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

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Recaptured and released Bhagavandas after recovering necklace almost intact- Proceeding Muzafernagar.

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For Inspector General of Police.

DIARY No 4923
19/9/20
SECTION Police
FILE No. 882-(9)
SERIAL No. 20

No. Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Roc 3812 Dated Bangalore, 16th Sep. 1920
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From

A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,

Bangalore.

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

To

Chief Secretary to the Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. C.3812 dated 10-9-1920 about Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry's Special duty, I have the honor to state that this Officer returned ~~this~~ morning after 15th with the diamond necklace. I find that except for one link of 4 diamonds the necklace is entire and that the recovery thereof is a matter of credit to Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry and through him to the Police Department. Mr. Narasimha Sastry has also brought notes of work done, which it is desirable to print for future reference. In these circumstances, I have the honor to recommend that he might be continued on Special duty till the end of the Dasara Holidays, as already indicated.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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WD·02963—GPB—300—16-4-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated
Despatched } 17th September/20
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Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.
Dated Bangalore, 16th Sep. 1920

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Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,

Bangalore.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government

of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

In continuation of the correspondence about the burglary in Bangalore City by Bavariahs, I have the honor to state that Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry reports that the Collector and District Magistrate of Muzafernagar District Mr. P.W.Marsh and the District Superintendent of Police, Mr. G.H.L.Farran gave him very substantial help which led to the recovery of the property. The copies of his Diaries which I have submitted to Government from time to time might have convinced Government of this. I would suggest that the thanks or appreciation of Government might be communicated to those officers through the Residency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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WD 02963—GPB—300—16-4-20

From

The Offg. Inspector-General
of Police in Mysore.

To

The Chief Secy. to the Govt.
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Dated
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General No. C. 3812
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D. No.
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Office of the Distfict Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

No. Dated BANGALORE, 17th September 1920.

From

M. A. Narayanayangar, Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
District Magistrate, Bangalore District.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.G.5559/Pol.183-19-17 dated the 8th September 1920 enquiring under what provision of law pardon has been granted to Bavari Bhagavan Das, I have the honour to state that on receipt of a telegram dated 13th August 1920 from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry, District Superintendent of Police on special duty from Jind requesting to "send a sealed order signed by the District Magistrate pardoning the said Bhagavan Das if property is restored," I wrote immediately to the Inspector General of Police requesting him to let me know as to what he would have me do in the matter to which he replied in his D.O.No.C.3812 dated 14th August 1920 that on receipt of a similar telegram by him from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry he sent a certificate to him in the following terms "This is to assure Bhagavan Das alias Nangatoo Bhagavan that the promise of the undersigned not to proceed agains

Nangatoo Bhagavan if the property is returned intact holds good" and suggested that there could be no harm in my sending a certificate also in similar terms.

The Special Diaries of Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry shewed that the accused referred to was a notorious thief who had escaped about 2000 miles away from Mysore with property worth Rs.20,000/-. It was beyond all reasonable probability that he could be caught with the property and extraordinary measures appeared justified in our efforts to secure the restoration of the valuable property. I, therefore, sent Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry a signed sealed certificate in the following terms:--

> "This is to certify that Nangatu Bhagavan alias Bhagavan Dass of Muzaffernagar District, United Provinces has been tendered a pardon under Section 333 Criminal Procedure Code on condition that the diamond necklace stolen from the house of Mr. Seshagiri Sastriar in Bangalore City on the 18th June 1920 is restored to the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, if necessary through the District Magistrate of Muzafarnagar or otherwise."

I have since heard from Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry in his Special Diary for 4th September 1920 that he had been compelled to get not only the countersignature of the District Magistrate of Muzaffernagar to my certificate, but also another written letter from him pardoning Nangatoo Bhagavan for all his offences up to date in connection with this case before he could recover the property on the 6th of this month.

It is of course clear that Section 333 Criminal Procedure Code does not apply to the case and there is nothing to prevent my certificate being set aside as illegal in a Court of Law.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M A Nangatoo Bhagavan

District Magistrate,
Bangalore District.

DIARY NO. 5005
19-9-20
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.
SECTION
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No. C. 3812

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, 20th September 1920.

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From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In connection with the burglary committed by Bavariahs in Bangalore City, I have the honor to state that the reward of Rs. - 1000/- offered by the complainant Mr. C.A.Sheshagiri Sastry is proposed to be distributed as noted in the enclosed list by Mr. - Farran, District Superintendent of Police, Muzafernagar and our Superintendent Mr. Sri Narasimha Sastry. The proposed distribution is in my view very fair. The names of all the recipiants have been referred to in the Diaries, copies of which have from time to time been submitted to Government. All except Mr.Shadiram who is a well-to-do land holder of Amvali might be given cash rewards. Mr. Shadiram wants a revolver with a suitable inscription to be presented to him at Bangalore which he will visit at his cost. I shall write to the Collector and find out if there is no objection to the present of a revolver, and write to Government again. In the meantime sanction may be granted to the cash rewards. The money will be sent to Mr. Farran, District Superintendent of Police, Muzafernagar for distribution. If Government so think the money

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might also be sent through the Residency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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WD 02964—300—14-5-20

From

The Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore, Bangalore.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of H H. the Maharaja of
Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated
Despatched } 20th September 1920

No. C. 2812

Enclosure 1

Subject.

CHIEF SEC. OFFICE
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21 SEP 1920

Re the distribution of reward offered by Mr. C.A. Seshagiri Sastri in the Burglary Case of the Bangalore City.

PROGRESS
22 SEP 1920

COPY OF THE REWARD DISTRIBUTION LIST FURNISHED BY MR.G.H.L.FARRAN, DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, MUZAFFERNAGAR.

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OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE.

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Dated Bangalore, 20th September 1920.

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From A. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No.G.5558/Police 183-19-16 dated 8-9-1920 enquiring under what law pardon was granted by me to Nangtoo Alias, Bhagawan Doss, one of the Bavariahs who committed burglary in Bangalore City, I have the honor to state that I never meant to assume any power I have not or to deceive the accused person. The power of pardoning is vested in Magistrate but is exercised on the recommendation of the Police. If the Police want an individual to be taken as approver the Magistrate takes action thereon. My permission was that such an application would be made if the case was one to go to the Sessions or the case would be withdrawn if it was not one going to the Sessions.

It has been usual for the Police not to proceed against persons who help them in the investigation of cases. I append an extract from the Madras Police Criminal Intelligence Department Gazette of 1912, page 589 showing what the Police did in similar circumstances.

As Nangtoo, Alias, Bhagawan has since produced the jewel it is now proposed to withdraw from his prosecution formally. I

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request the approval of Government to this course. On receiving the order of approval, I shall write to all administrations not to arrest for our purpose Nangtoo, Alias, Bhagawan if caught in other cases.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Inspector General of Police.

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From

The Inspector-General of Police

9783 *in Mysore, Bangalore.*

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of H H. the Maharaja of
Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated } 20 September 1920
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Routine Notes.

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EXTRACT FROM THE " MADRAS CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE GAZETTE" OF 1912, page 589.

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"They were all sent to jail under security sections in Bellary district except No.4 who was convicted in a specific case of Gooty, Ananthapur district, and the charge against No.17 and 19 was withdrawn for disclosing stolen property concerned in the heavy burglary already referred to.

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"EXTRACT"

Inspector General of Police.

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N.B - Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

Police 183-19-25

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To

The I. G. of Police in Mysore.

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Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.R.O.C.3992/19-20 dated 20th September 1920 regarding the deputation of Mr.Sri Narasimhasastry in connection with the burglary case in Bangalore City and other matters in connection therewith I am directed to state that Mr.Sri Narasimhasastry may be asked to go to Chitaldrug and join duty there at once, ~~that~~ The notes of work done by him in Northern India if they are really valuable, may be got printed after he joins duty, and that for this purpose his deputation on special duty is not necessary. I am to add that he has had more than a fortnight at his disposal since his arrival which is quite sufficient for the drafting of the notes or revising them if they were already drafted.

2. As regards the tender of pardon to Nayntoo alias Bhagavan Doss, I am to point out that it is apparently based on a misapprehension as to the scope of Section 337 Criminal Procedure Code, which relates only to cases exclusively triable by a court of session, the present case not falling within that category. The Madras case quoted in your letter ~~is apparently~~ does not apply

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understood and does not apply to the facts of the present case which are quite different.

3. Regarding the distribution of the reward of Rs.1,000/-, I am to say that as the same was offered sanctioned by Government, no sanction of the Government for its distribution is necessary.

4. As regards your request for sanction to withdraw from the prosecution, the Government regret to observe that this simple procedure is the right procedure, which was not adopted earlier and that there is no necessity for them to pass any such order at this stage.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Chief Secretary toGovt.

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Police 183-19-26

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Correspondence ending with letter No. R.O.C.3812/19-20 dated 20th September 1920 from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore, regarding a Burglary Case in Bangalore City and other matters in connection therewith.

O r d e r No. 913847-8

Dated ..... 17/1/1921.

Sd by Mr. G.A. Wyatt

Government observe that there have been several irregularities of a serious nature in the handling of the case referred to. In the first place the accused who is an old Bavari, Criminal should not have been taken outside the State. In addition to his custody in British India being illegal, the cause involved the possibility of keeping the accused in Police custody for more than 15 days in contravention of the imperative provisions of law in this respect and the further risk of the prisoner escaping, which unfortunately happened ~~accordingly~~.

2. Secondly, the pardon granted by the District Magistrate, Bangalore, to the principal accused, on the recommendation of the

Superintendent

Superintendent of Police and the Inspector-General of Police, was quite illegal under the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code. It was incumbent on the part of the officers concerned to have obtained the previous sanction of Government, if the prosecution was intended to be dropped.

3. The District Magistrate and the Inspector-General have not sufficiently realised the importance of bringing the offender to justice and the recovery of property lost not only in this case but also in the house-breaking cases at Purnaprasad and elsewhere in Bangalore and other places.

4. In pointing out the above irregularities, Government are constrained to communicate their displeasure to the District Magistrate (Mr.M.A.Narayana Iyengar) and the Inspector-General of Police (Mr. A.Subrahmanya Iyer).

Revenue
Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

The Inspector-General of Police.

" District Magistrate, Bangalore.

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Abstract of tappal—dated 8-7-1920

No.	From whom	Brief abstract
1	I. G. of Police In Mysore.	Submits further information received from the Dy. Commr. Bangalore Dist. re. the occurrence of burglaries in Bangalore City.
2	— do —	Submits a Statement of touring & Inspection work done by him during the month of June 1920.

C. Ramalan
Registrar

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Abstract of tappal—dated 7-8-1920

No.	From whom	Brief abstract
1	I. G. of Police ii Inspone.	Submits copy of the extract from the Special Diary of Rao Sri Narasimha Sastry from 27 to 29 July 1920 showing the progress made towards the capture of the absconding accused Nagoor Bhagavan.

Please return at once
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C. Ramachandra
Registrar.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Chief Secy. Abstract of tappal—dated 13 - 8 - 1920.

No.	From whom	Brief abstract
1	Office of the Excise Commr	Reports that Mr K. Chandy handed over and Mr K. R. Srinivasa Iyengar received charge of the offices of the Excise Commr, I. G. of Regn & Commr of Stamps on the afternoon of the 11th Inst.
2	I. G. of Police in Mysore	Submits for information copies of Diary Extracts for the 30th, 31st Ultimo and 3rd & 4th Insts. received from Mr Sri Narasimha Sastry, Police Supt on Spl Duty in Northern India in connection with the detection of the burglary cases committed in the Bangalore City.
3	The Senior Surgeon in Mysore	Requests Sanction for the introduction of the Madras Scale of pay to male Sub-Assistant Surgeons also as allowed (has already been) to female Sub Asst Surgeons in the Dept.

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C. Ramachar
Registrar